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*Nearly 70 Percent Turnout...
Takes Mayor's Seat By Over 3-1 Margin...
Inauguration Ceremonies On May 12th...*

JOHNSON WINS BIG

Plans Underway For Inauguration Under The Lights

We learned from Mayor-Elect Christopher Johnson at presstime that plans are now underway for his Inauguration on Friday, May 12th.

A social will be held at Harmon Smith Field Football Field under the "Stadium Lights" from 7:30 to 8:00 p.m., with the ceremonies to begin immediately after.

In the event of rain, the Inauguration will be held at the Agawam Junior High School (same times). THE PUBLIC IS CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND.



THE FACES OF VICTORY: Left - Mayor-Elect Christopher Johnson toasts his huge victory with Campaign Manager Patrick Nolan at Johnson's Headquarters Tuesday night; Right - Excited campaign workers bask in the fruits of victory at Johnson Headquarters Tuesday night. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Council Gets Messier's \$33 Million Budget; Trash Fees, Prop. 2 1/2 Limit Tow Keys

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

A \$33 million budget has been received by the Town Council, but it's a budget contingent on approval of a proposed trash collection fee of \$100 per household.

The budget as prepared by Temporary Town Manager Frederick Messier, will require an additional \$700,000 cut if the potential revenue from the refuse bill is not forthcoming.

Agawam is increasing its revenues to the limits set by Proposition 2 1/2 "for the first time" since that measure was passed, a move necessitated by cutbacks in state financial support.

"If it (the refuse bill) doesn't go," Messier said Tuesday morning, "we'll have to resort to layoffs. It will have an adverse effect on schools, and many other areas as well."

Though potential cutbacks in excess of \$1 million in school funding have been averted, the School Department still faces \$650,000 in reductions. "They (School Committee members) are working on their cuts," Messier said.

Supporters of the School Budget, including many PTO groups, are already planning to attack that \$650,000 cut, which still cuts deeply into textbooks and transportation, as well as some teaching positions.

The town budget totals \$32,986,286, a figure that is up \$2.7 million over last year and is a 9.2 percent increase.

Estimated tax levy for the fiscal 1990 budget is \$17,197,566.

Messier estimated that upwards of 50 town employees could face layoffs if the revenue-generating trash bill fails to win council approval.

And from the informal poll taken of several councilors this week, including newly-elected Mayor Christopher Johnson, that trash bill is in trouble.

The budget includes \$12.9 million earmarked for the School Department, down \$650,000 from their \$13.5 million request.

Among the items being pared from the FY90 budget in part or in full are the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program, some sidewalk plowing, DPW equipment replacement, pavement maintenance, police unmarked vehicle replacement, some park maintenance and improvements, support of the Youth Counseling Center, and all requests for additional personnel.

"Difficult funding decisions have had to be made," Messier reported, "in order to produce a balanced budget."

"From all indications," Messier noted in his budget presentation, "the town should expect no more than level-funded state aid with the possibility of a reduction being very real."

Johnson said Tuesday night his first and toughest priority was the new budget and although he would not be taking office for 10 days, he would immediately begin gearing-up to tackle the chore.

Johnson, however, has repeatedly said the fiscal 1990 budget was "the manager's budget," not his.

Reduction Of Big Cut Gives School Dept. A Little More Air

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

"We're not looking too bad now," says School Superintendent James Bruno, now that the proposed \$950,000 cut in the School Department has been reduced by \$300,000.

Temporary Town Manager Frederick Messier restored \$300,000 in projected cuts last week, only hours after it looked like the School Budget would be curtailed by more than \$1 million.

Messier has also opted not to link school revenues and/or cuts to a proposed revenue-generating rubbish fee coming up for council approval.

The fee would assess each household \$100. And at presstime, this trash fee appears to be headed for plenty of trouble when facing Town Council.

Messier submitted his town budget, including a \$12.9 million School Budget, to the council on Monday.

The School Committee, during its budget talks, had chopped \$600,000 in requests before the line item budget ever hit Messier's desk.

Bruno notes that the budget cuts, even at the \$650,000 mark, will mean curtailed purchases of some textbooks, supplies, and equipment, along with a freeze on hiring of new personnel.

"We have 10 or 12 positions open," Bruno adds. "These are existing vacancies we had hoped to fill." It looks like those positions will remain vacant, or possibly be subject to a revised teacher schedule. But no new hiring is being projected at this point whatsoever.

Bruno credits Messier for his courage in rethinking his position on the initially-proposed School Budget cuts, noting that the "restoring of that \$300,000 will make it a lot easier to deal with."

"It's certainly a brighter picture this week than last," Bruno stated. "Of course, we don't know what the Town Council will do. And we don't really know what the state will do."

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL

The Agawam Town Council will hold a public hearing on May 15, 1989 at 8:00 P.M. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of Richard S. Thomas, Jr. on a proposed zone change for land southerly of and adjacent to Orlando St. The request is to rezone approximately 28.2 acres from Business B and Industrial A to Residence A-3.

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Ursula Retzler
Council Clerk

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TOWN OF AGAWAM AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, May 11, 1989, at 7:15 PM, in the Town Clerk's Conference Room, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, Ma. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, called to act upon the continuance of the petition of Ronald Champagne to perform work subject to the ACT on 36 Russo Circle, Agawam.

Henry Kozloski, Chairman
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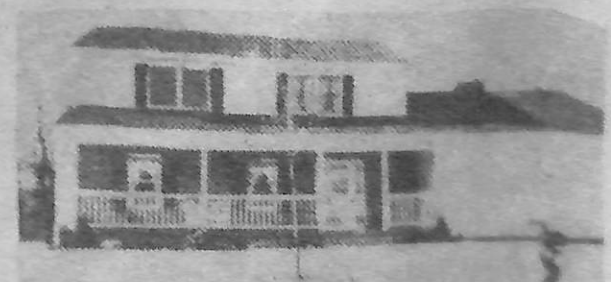


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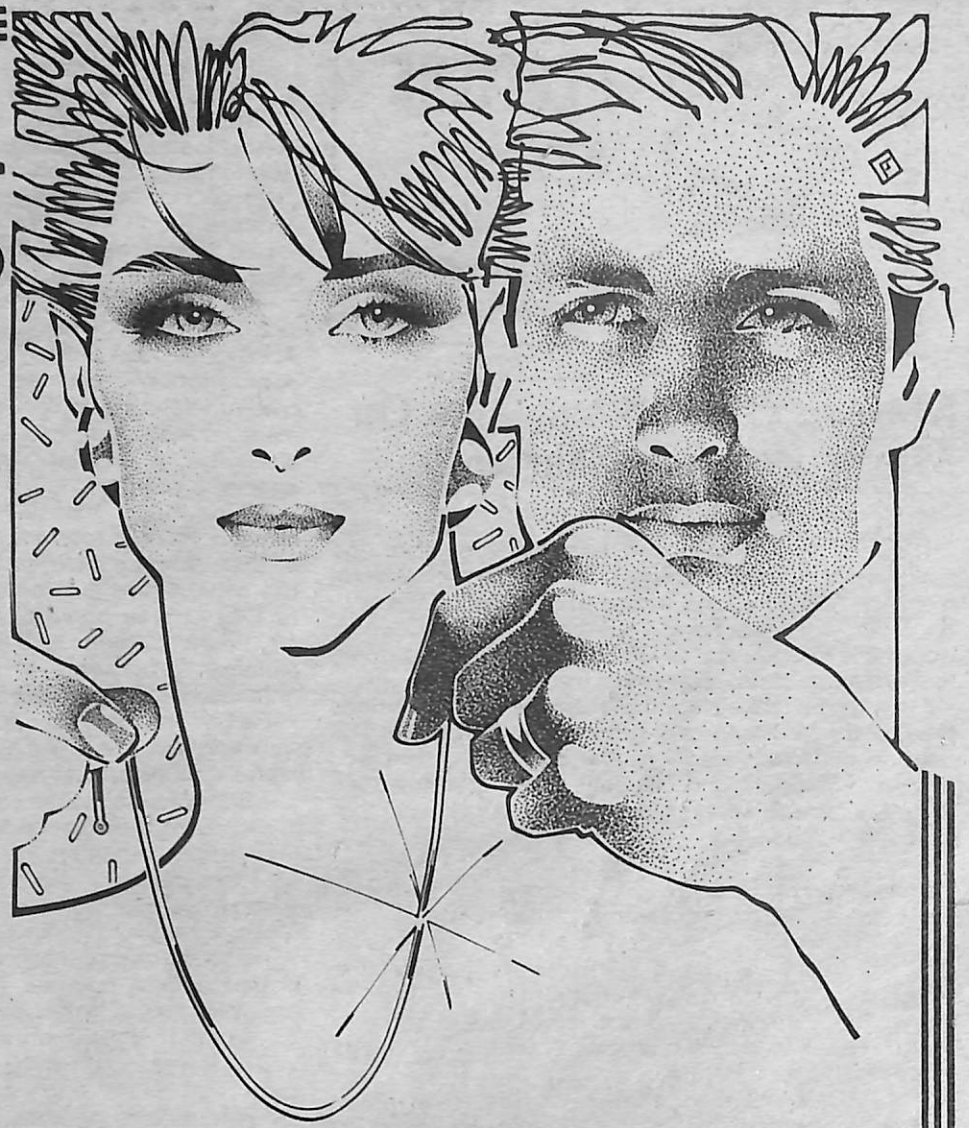


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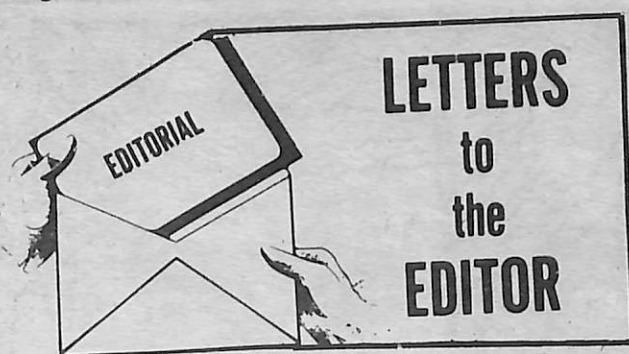
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Moreno Offers Comments On Mayor Petition; Charter

I, as the original and only initiator who wrote and took formal action to create a mayor form of government for Agawam, and who created each of the petitions filed with the Town Clerk and/or Town Council, would like to have my say in the matter of petitioning for the Mayor form of government.

First, let me make clear that there were four petitions filed for the Mayor form of government, not three. The petition not mentioned was the one I filed that was termed "improper" and "illegal" by the then town Attorney Ralph Atkins. He termed it "improper" and that it would "not be legal" was his opinion to the Council.

I, of course, had to conclude that since Atkins was former Manager Reid Charles' personal lawyer while he was the town lawyer, it established why Atkins stopped the petition.

Of course, it was a conflict of interest law violation by Atkins. The record shows that Atkins was Charles' bankruptcy attorney and he also represented Charles in District Court cases on a default of payments on cars purchased in another state.

I am making it clear that there was some funny business in stopping my 1988 petition for Mayor by Attorney Atkins and Charles.

I took court legal action and again experience teaches that a naive attorney makes a poor case.

Let me sum up why the basic petition I filed was refused and termed illegal. The petition I filed with Atkins and the Council was the same one. I filed and was passed by the House and Senate and approved by the attorney General, and which we, the people of Agawam voted on last November.

My opinions on the Mayor form of government are many. Agawam was incorporated in June 1855. The government, all governments, are totally repetitive; each year the same people do the same thing they did the previous year. Numbers change, people change but the government goes on—assessors assess, treasurers take care of money, Board of Health, Sealer of Weights, goes on and on.

The departments just keep doing the same job. The clerk keeps records, the accountant keeps the books, so where is the need for consultants as stated by the professional educator and the political pundits?

Where is the difficulty in managing the town if each branch does their job? Where is the difficulty? Government is not private enterprise (if you are in the vegetable business you have to start by growing them, canning them, labeling, etc., marketing them, transporting them, etc.). Each year in government the budget is the basic big job. Everything is the same, even the formula is the same and established by law; the Mass. General laws actually tell municipalities what they should do.

So what is the magic that causes most problems in Agawam's government? In my opinion it is the lack of government know-how that prevails in the elected and appointed officials; election after election and appointment after appointment.

Agawam has had too many councilors that did not and do not know and understand the Town Charter and what its purpose is.

Example, the councilors are lawmakers. They do not rule. They make the laws and rules and the mayor's job is to carry them out. Yes, the rules have the power of law until changed by vote of Town Council.

The Charter in no way is meant to establish all that can be done by the Council, nor establish all that can be done by a Mayor. Agawam is a corporation, and as in any corporation a charter is established to organize and signify its purposes, and not to state all the laws and rules in detail that would take a whole library.

Until they have seen it here I doubt that any councilor knows that there are 24 references to the General Laws in the Charter. In section 9-9 of the Town Charter it makes clear that "all references to the General Laws and its amendments and enactments subsequent to the adoption of the Charter shall prevail."

The recent primary candidates and the final two candidates have been opposed to the amendment to the Charter which established the Mayor form of government.

They and many others who opposed the Mayor form of government have quoted doubts about our Charter as being "ambiguous," "many faults," "needs revision," etc. I have challenged any and all to name one fault or ambiguity or needed revision with the Charter. I haven't had one challenge.

Getting back to Attorney Atkins' negative opinion on my third petition, I want to make clear that if the Council voted "no" not to accept the petition, then

the petition would have had to be put to a vote of the people to accept the Charter amendment or not. The final decision had to be made by the people, the voters of Agawam, and we did.

Article 9 Section 9-12-e of the Charter established the exclusions that are mandatory by law. The Constitution and our Charter say that the following eight items cannot be the subject of initiative or referendum petitions (I call them the "Thou Shall Nots").

1. It is not allowed to "petition against anything relating to the organization or operation of the city council (Note: They rule themselves).

2. Emergency measures. 3. The whole town budget. 4. Revenue loan orders. 5. Payment of debts. 6. Certain appropriation in payment of contracts, etc. 7. Any proceedings relating to reelections, employment, appointment, suspension, transfer, demotion, removal or discharge of any city employee. 8. Cannot petition against a petition.

Atkins ruled that "A proposal to replace a city manager form of government with a Mayoral form cannot be done through a citizen initiative petition or through a city council vote." Attorney Atkins based his decision on City Charter provisions regarding the powers of the city council. Atkins said the "charter excludes from the initiative procedures a proceeding relating to the organization or operation of the city council."

He (Atkins) also said in his decision, "if this measure were adopted, the City Council would no longer have the power of appointment over the city manager."

Atkins claimed to the court that I was "using number 1 and number 7 (above) in my petition."

Isn't it strange that the Judiciary Committees of the Massachusetts House and Senate, and also the Attorney General of Massachusetts, approved my Mayoral petition without changing one word?

As I said before, no historic reading of the law supported Atkins' opinion. There is historic reading that approves the initiative petition to change the form of government. I said at that time that Atkins had a vested interest in keeping the manager form of government. I did point out that his interest was in keeping the job as long as his client, Manager Reid Charles, was in office.

How ironic when I charged Atkins with using stalling tactics, he said, "I am not stalling. That's America and I am not in favor of thwarting the citizens' right to implement a Mayoral form of government." Hogwash. His every action and decision were in error, I believe. "I just want them (council) to do it the right way," he said. Atkins never offered a proposal on how to "do it right."

My complaint against Atkins was that Article 89-Section 8 of the Articles of Amendment of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the "Home Rule Amendment," specifically provides for legislative action upon petition of the voters of the city or town.

Said Section 8 provides a complete and independent source of citizen power to achieve Charter repeal and my petition and the citizens of the City of Agawam followed the appropriate procedures to implement Section 8.

The October 23rd, 1987 ruling by Atkins said that the "proposed change to a Mayor government has been specifically excluded from the initiative petition procedure." He said the Town Council "is not required to act on the petition."

I quote the Charter—"The petition given to Town Clerk, addressed to Town Council who shall pass said measure without alterations"—or "Submit the proposed measure without alteration to a vote of the voters."

What must be made clear is the bylaw and ordinances' power—the portion of powers of the Amendment (Article 5-1) is the power to make ordinances or bylaws not inconsistent with state law, the Constitution, or the local charter. The provisions of our Charter so provides as required for the composition, mode of election or appointment, terms of office of the legislative body, city council, the Mayor to be in the Charter.

The phrasing of the ballot question last November was specifically provided for within the Charter. Revising may only be done to a Charter which has been "framed" under the Amendment.

There is a question, however, that remains as to

what is intended to be the distinction between the two. As I see it, it is that portion of the Charter where General Laws still apply to changes relating to Executive and Legislative branches of the municipal government; they must be accomplished by the revision process because otherwise they, the Town Councilors, would be permitted to go to the voters with sections relating to themselves.

Valentine R. Moreno
Florida Drive - Agawam

Age Is Not An Issue; Resident Says Johnson Will Do Fine

To The Editor:

In response to the April 20th edition, "Age Not An Issue, It's Qualifications, Experience," I believe all these are an issue. It's too bad B.A.L. passed up the valuable work experience at McDonalds to mow lawns and paint huses. As a manager on the payroll at McD's, I have been with the company for seven years and never known an assistant manager to get 50 cents an hour. In fact, the assistant managers starting at entry level make more money than the \$10,000 a year salary that Mr. Nardi claims a mayor of our town should make.

Our managers have to pass a management development course taking approximately four months to complete. They then attend two full days of final classes and take an extensive test which they must pass with an 80 or above grade to become certified. Class doesn't end there. There is constant training and even McD's own University to attend.

Weekly meetings are mandatory to keep up on our business. Being responsible for thousands of dollars, daily food costs, ordering, labor projections, budgets, scheduling, stats, profit and loss, end of week and month, public relations, floor control, crew-training, hiring and firing, etc.

Get the picture? Being responsible for a multi-billion dollar business that a once very young man started, I can't see why B.A.L. doesn't see this as an asset to Mayoral training.

As my dear retired dad said, "They just didn't have education like we have back when he was a young man."

Yes, I think Chris Johnson can handle a top position. He's shown us that he works hard for what he believes in and is not a quitter. He does not slander or lie to get somewhere because he's too busy "working up the ladder."

If the older people up there lent down their "experienced" hand to the younger man and accepted his drive and fresh ideas instead of "putting him in his place," we would all be working together for the same thing instead of condemning the bright minds of tomorrow. Maybe McDonalds is so successful because it is run by so many bright, young minds.

Mary Ann Sparver
Agawam Citizen for Chris Johnson

IRS Thanks Us For Publicity During Tax Season

To The Editor:

The Internal Revenue Service has concluded another successful filing season, and we'd like to thank you for the role that your paper played in placing tax information at the disposal of your readers.

The numerous tax stories and Ad Council public service announcements you printed enabled Massachusetts taxpayers to better understand what was expected of them in filing their federal tax returns.

Bob Ruttenberg and his Public Affairs Staff join me in thanking you for helping us promote tax programs which are designed to assist your readers in filing timely and accurate returns.

Gerard R. Esposito
District Director

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Guest Editorial...

Education Has No Price Tag - None!

by David Cecchi
Vice-Chairman
Agawam School Committee

I am writing this not only as vice-chairman of the Agawam School Committee, but as a taxpayer and one who values education very highly.

I am very proud of the Agawam School System. I attended Agawam Schools, and I believe that we have one of the finest systems in the state. We may not have the highest per-pupil expenditure, but what we do with what we spend speaks for itself. One of the main reasons I chose to remain in Agawam after graduating from college is its schools and teachers.

Everyone is aware of the financial chaos the state is in. There simply is no money. Every department and service across the state will be affected. One place where we absolutely cannot afford to cut is education. Teachers need to be paid, textbooks purchased; everything costs money. Agawam cannot afford to spend any less money on education.

Last year's budget was the first in years that made any real gain in spending; this year it looks like further cuts and layoffs may be a reality. The only way to avoid these disastrous possibilities is to come up with the money to pay for them. And it looks like the only way we will be able to accomplish that will be to raise taxes.

More Letters To The Editor...

Easter Seals Marathon Is Another Huge Success

To The Editor:

The "world's largest" Century 21 Easter Seal Volleyball Marathon has come and gone. With it go memories of the 125 teams who played at the Grande Meadows Tennis & Health Club on April 8th and raised more than \$49,000 for people with physical disabilities.

The excitement generated at this particular marathon, which was goal for 104 teams and \$34,000, was truly amazing. Approximately 1,500 people passed through the club's doors to support one of the greatest non-profit fundraising efforts this area has ever known.

A special event is successful only when a group of people pool their generosity, creativity and determination. Hampden County residents have demonstrated this well.

Dollars donated at Easter Seal events stay within the area in which they are raised. Your continuing commitment to share allows people with physical disabilities to receive direct programs and services that make a big difference in their lives.

Easter Seals is able to thank Century 21, the numerous co-sponsors, the participating teams, and the volunteers via direct post-event correspondence; however, it is more difficult to reach the thousands of supportive community members.

We offer our grateful appreciation to each and every individual, business and organization who said "yes" when approached by a volleyball player asking for team support. Your generosity was the key factor in this event's unbelievable success.

Sincerely,
Deirdre "Dee" Lydick
Development Coordinator
Massachusetts Easter Seal Society
Western Massachusetts

Educating Our Children Is Vital To Entire Community

To The Editor:

I am writing this as a very concerned parent. While at a recent school committee meeting, we were informed by Mr. Bruno of the seriousness of the school budget cuts and the drastic effect it will have on our children. Not only do they want to cut \$650,000 from the School Budget, but this comes on top of over \$600,000 in cuts already made by the Agawam School Committee.

We are playing with our children's future and their future is vital to the future of our country. Educating our children should be a top priority in Agawam. The money spent per student in the Agawam School System is already well below other area schools. With a significant budget cut, where will our children be?

We as parents need to support our School Committee, as well as contact our Councilmen to express our feelings of concern. This is a very serious situation and sitting back watching is not going to help our children. They are our future and a bleak future it will be if we don't stand up for their rights.

Mary Lou Vigue
Parent & Graduate of Agawam High

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I pay taxes now, and do not relish the thought of paying even more, but I also plan on raising a family in town some day. I want my children to receive as good an education (or better) than I did.

I do not want my children to attend rundown schools and learn from outdated textbooks. I do not want to see my children lost in a class of 40 children. I do not want to see good teachers who have so much to offer let go. No child can learn under those conditions.

Education affects everyone. Our children are the future. They will someday lead our country and the world. We need to invest in education today so that tomorrow will be brighter. The world will never be a better place, and life will never improve if we do not strive to give our children the best education possible. I

truly believe that.

We must give our children the gift of knowledge, at whatever price we need to pay. There is nothing more important than education.

I urge all of you, whether you currently have children in school, or just believe in the value of education as I do, to write to your Town Councilors and state legislators and let them know how you feel. Ask them to do all they can to fund public education the way it needs to be funded. The only way the government can know how you feel is with communication.

We may not be able to restore all the monies cut from the budget, but every dollar we can get back will help. Let's not make our children pay for the financial troubles of the state.

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Ag. Republican Town Comm. Sets Meeting May 6th

The Agawam Republican Town Committee will hold its monthly breakfast meeting Saturday, May 6th, at the Oak Ridge Country Club at 8:30 a.m.

Representative Peter Torkildsen, Republican state representative from Danvers, will be the guest speaker. Representative Torkildsen serves on the joint committee on taxation and has been a vocal opponent of the tax increase proposed by Governor Michael Dukakis.

Representative Torkildsen will speak on the state fiscal crisis, and the impact this will have on local governments and state taxpayers.

We will also review the Mayoral election and hear from committee members who were involved in the Mayoral campaign.

We extend a cordial invitation to all registered Republicans and independent voters to attend our monthly meetings which are held on the first Saturday of each month except July and August.

SCHOOL BUDGET - From Page 2...

Bruno adds that the strong pro-education stands by both Mayoral candidates should help, and in fact Mayor-elect Christopher Johnson has maintained that while he cannot make promises without knowing the definitive financial picture from the state level on down, he will do everything he can to maintain quality educational services for Agawam.

Johnson said on many occasions during the campaign that the most important function of the municipal government was "educating our children."

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, May 18, 1989 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of TUCKAHOE TURF FARMS, INC. who are seeking the renewal of Special Permit Number 1065 issued by this Board in accordance with Section 20, Paragraph 8 (g) to allow for the continued removal of sod from the premises identified as being located on SOUTH WEST STREET approximately 500 feet distant from the corner of PHEASANT HILL DRIVE.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Lariviere, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE

Rep. Walsh Comments On Jail, State Budget

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

State Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) doesn't have to drink caffeinated beverages to stay up at night. All he has to do is "think about the jail."

"The people of Agawam don't want it," Walsh maintains, "and there are few issues they feel so strongly about. This is one of them."

Walsh doesn't believe that Agawam is the right place to put a new Hampden County Jail, but admits that there might not be anything anyone can do about it at this point.

"Springfield wanted it, and Springfield should get it," Walsh maintains. But there's the distinct possibility the Town of Agawam will still get it.

Most area officials as well as the Hampden County Commission favor the new jail being sited on property on Taylor Street in Springfield.

The State Inspector General, however, has recommended that county-owned land in Feeding Hills was better financially for the new jail.

From all indications, it appears the Legislature may have the final say in where the new jail will be situated.

Walsh points out that in siting a facility such as a new county jail, state administrators look at operational costs over the life of the prison, not just the initial construction and development costs.

That's only one of the issues confronting this young legislator (32) who's carving a name for himself in the State House in Boston.

Walsh is the chairman of the Committee on County

Government.

Walsh is also concerned with budget matters, in particular, the project level-funding or possible less than level-funding of local aid to cities and towns. And that means Agawam, Southwick, and the hilltowns that fall in Walsh's district.

He doesn't think the current budget "will fare well in the State Senate" but the "ball is in their court."

"There's a hint from the Ways and Means Committee that more dollars may be forthcoming for education," Walsh adds, but notes that it would be hard for him to vote for additional funds "if the money just isn't there."

"That's making a hollow promise," Walsh said, adding that (Gov. Michael S.) Dukakis has made many promises he's been unable to keep.

Walsh adds that no one expected the revenues to fall so far short of expectations after the new tax laws went into effect.

"But things then were hot," he states, "so hot that they had to cool down." He cites \$750 million lost to the state annually over four years and says "that's a lot of money to be deprived of."

Walsh concedes that the general population is not in favor of tax increases, but says one can only cut a program so far before the essence of that program is lost.

"When it comes to elderly issues and college costs, we're down to bare bones," Walsh adds.

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Johnson Takes 7,705 Votes

Mayor-Elect Stunned Over Huge Victory

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

It's Johnson for Mayor by a crushing margin! Foul weather failed to dampen voter interest in the election of Agawam's first Mayor, as 69.5 percent of Agawam's 14,378 registered voters turned up at the polls on a soggy and wet day.

Seventy-one percent of those voters cast their ballots in Christopher Johnson's direction, allowing the first-term Town Councilor to soundly defeat his opponent, seven-term Councilor and retired businessman Frederick Nardi.

Johnson, just 27, took 7,705 votes to Nardi's 2,310, during the 12-hour polling day.

In fact, the narrowest margin between the two still gave 27 year-old Johnson a 2-1 edge in Precinct 1, Nardi's home precinct.

In Precinct 4 and 5 it was a 3-1 Johnson margin; in 2, 5, and 6 it was 4-1; and in Precinct 7 it was nearly 5-1, pro-Johnson.

Town Clerk Richard Theroux had predicted at 60 percent turnout for this often controversial and highly-visible political battle. Agawam voters went 10 percent better than that.

The Mayoral Election's bottom line was pitting the "New Guard" (Johnson) vs. the "Old Guard" (Nardi), or at least that was the way Johnson set the campaign's tempo from the outset.

Both candidates squared-off in public debate several times, including a question/answer session at the Agawam Senior Center, a two-hour session on WSPR Radio (sponsored in part by *The AAN*), and a debate at Public Television Station WGBY in Springfield last Friday night.

Agawam voters overwhelmingly opted for a Mayoral



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM BOARD OF REGISTRARS are about to tabulating the results from the Mayor's Election Tuesday night - from left - Richard Brindle, Mary Hunter, and Raymond Charest. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

form of government last November when the issue appeared on the ballot as a referendum question.

The choice was the result of a series of disenchantments with the professional Town Managers hired by the Town Council to run Agawam. The resignation of Reid S. Charles, under fire for unprofessional conduct and mismanagement by Town Council, was the icing on the political cake last September, as the bell tolled for the manager form of government, which replaced the old Selectman/Town Meeting charter in 1972.

The Primary Election on March 28th narrowed a field of seven candidates down to Johnson and Nardi, and brought a heated battle to a fever pitch in recent

weeks, as Nardi bashed Johnson's age, experience and competency in business management.

Johnson, for his part, did run a two-page advertisement in mid-April refuting Nardi's advertisements, and often would criticize his opponent for "negative campaigning."

Both Johnson and Nardi shook hands Tuesday night when Nardi made his way into an elated Johnson Headquarters on Springfield Street. Nardi said he hoped he and Johnson could work together for a better Agawam.

Heavy Rains Can't Keep Agawam Away

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

...And the rains came.

It was a politician's nightmare. Waking up to torrential rains on what will be a historic Election Day, a day when Agawam voters will have to wade off to the polls to cast their ballots for the town's first Mayor.

Despite worried looks and soggy sneakers, campaign workers were out in force flushing out last minute support for their candidate's platform and worrying about whether it's so wet the voters won't bother to get up, get out and go vote.

But they did. Some 10,015 of them.

That totals about 70 percent of the town's registered voters.

There was no doubt that Agawam residents fully understood the importance of this election, and staying home due to foul weather was not the order of the day.

By 9:00 a.m. more than 150 voters had cast their ballots at Robinson School (Precinct 1) despite weather that would have kept Noah's Ark afloat.

Agawam Advertiser News Publisher Richard Sardella said he was "Number 637" at lunchtime at Phelps School, the Precinct 5 polling place. "There was no doubt in my mind that the turnout would be heavy," Sardella said.

While neighboring Springfield even had a road cave-in due to the heavy rains, Agawam suffered no such fate.

The sky alternately brightened and darkened. The clouds dropped pellets of water that filtered into fine mist, eventually drying out before the whole thing started over again.

For campaign managers Patrick Nolan (Johnson) and Michael Martin (Nardi) it was a perpetual quest for coffee, sandwiches, dry shoes, and shelter under oversized umbrellas.



IT WASN'T POURING AT THIS POINT when Staff Photographer Jack Devine arrived at Granger School. From left - Nardi supporter Alan Boissonneault with his daughter, Debra; Mayor-Elect Christopher Johnson, and Johnson campaign worker Steve Ryan. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

It was a shuttle service for sign-holders who shifted from one precinct to another, drying off a bit en route before braving the damp all over again.

While the March 28th Primary saw 83 degree temperatures and sunbaked candidates and campaigners, Election Day on Tuesday saw a deluge of drowning voters, including many senior citizens who showed up in force in raincoats, plastic rainhats, under folding umbrellas, using canes.

One grey-haired gentleman braved the elements on crutches.

It only proves that when the issues are hot and the candidates hotter, nothing will cool down the spirit of the voting public. Not even two inches of morning rain.

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Young Mayor-Elect Says Town Budget First Major Hurdle

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

"I'm in shock!"

With those words, Mayor-Elect Christopher Johnson explained his slightly dazed but definitely delighted reaction to his overwhelming victory in Tuesday's Mayoral election.

With an over 3-1 margin over eight-term Town Councilor Frederick Nardi, this freshman councilor says he is the change Agawam voters have been looking for.

As he looks towards his new administrative duties, his biggest pitfall involves the town budget.

"That's number one," he says, before tacking on a hope "for a smooth transition from outgoing town manager administration to that of the Mayor as the town's new chief executive."

"The Town Council is not the boss," he said Tuesday night. "The people of Agawam are. And that's where the lines are drawn."

Johnson knows it's "going to be a lean year for the budget" and admits it's his toughest hurdle. "It's a manager's budget and the Mayor has no official authority over it," Johnson again declared Tuesday night.

In what will be his last evening as a Town Councilor, Johnson was expected on Wednesday to oppose a move to assess Agawam residents a \$100 fee for rubbish removal, part of a town DPW proposal, forged by Superintendent John P. Stone, that would generate up to \$700,000 in new revenues to the town next year.

"It's a poor way to override Proposition 2½," Johnson stated. "Why not put the override on the ballot and let the voters decide? I don't think it would get even 25 percent of the vote," he added.

He adds that "the town has been informed that there will be less than level-funding in EEOG (Equal Education Opportunity Grants) and lottery funds from the state," Johnson said, noting that those amounts total some \$400,000 in revenues Agawam won't get, unless something changes, and changes soon.

Looking back over his campaign, he notes that "it's been seven months of hard work that has paid off."

"I couldn't have done it without all my dedicated campaign workers. I couldn't have done it without my family and friends," he continues. "I have to thank my parents. They were there for me."

In the glare of television lights and the waving of microphones at his Feeding Hills headquarters Tuesday night, soda and champagne glasses clinked in toast of victory and music blared through both levels of the building as Johnson supporters celebrated a successful seven-month campaign.

Johnson repeatedly rammed home the theme that Town Hall employees no longer could serve members of Town Council, but the people of Agawam.

He also stressed his independent status as a councilor during the often bitter campaign, and it was more than obvious following the vote-count Tuesday night that the voters here left no doubt that change was the only solution for Agawam - with Johnson representing that change.

For Pat Nolan, Soggy Election Day Ends In Very Sweet Victory

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

His sweatshirt was damp. His sweatpants, rainsplattered. His sneakers were wet and his socks sodden. His sign was sagging and even his oversized umbrella shelter didn't help. He was just plain cold.

For Patrick Nolan of Feeding Hills, campaign manager for Agawam's Mayor-Elect Christopher Johnson, it wasn't a good day for an election.

"I was worried," Nolan said some three hours into the town's first Mayoral Election. "I hoped people would vote no matter what, but you can never predict just what the public will do."

Nolan added that the Johnson campaign had indulged in little if any telephone tactics in the campaign, and didn't let voters' assurances that "it's in the bag" allow the campaign to wallow in complacency.

That left Nolan "hanging in there" with wet clothes, pitching his candidate of choice, waving at passers-by, and accepting a steady stream of thumbs-up nods and knowing winks from voters who apparently had no doubts about who, or what, they were voting for.

The Johnson campaign ran on a thrifty budget and solicited no endorsements, although Colleen Dupee, who placed sixth in the primaries, endorsed Johnson two weeks ago, stating that his platform was closest to her ideals.

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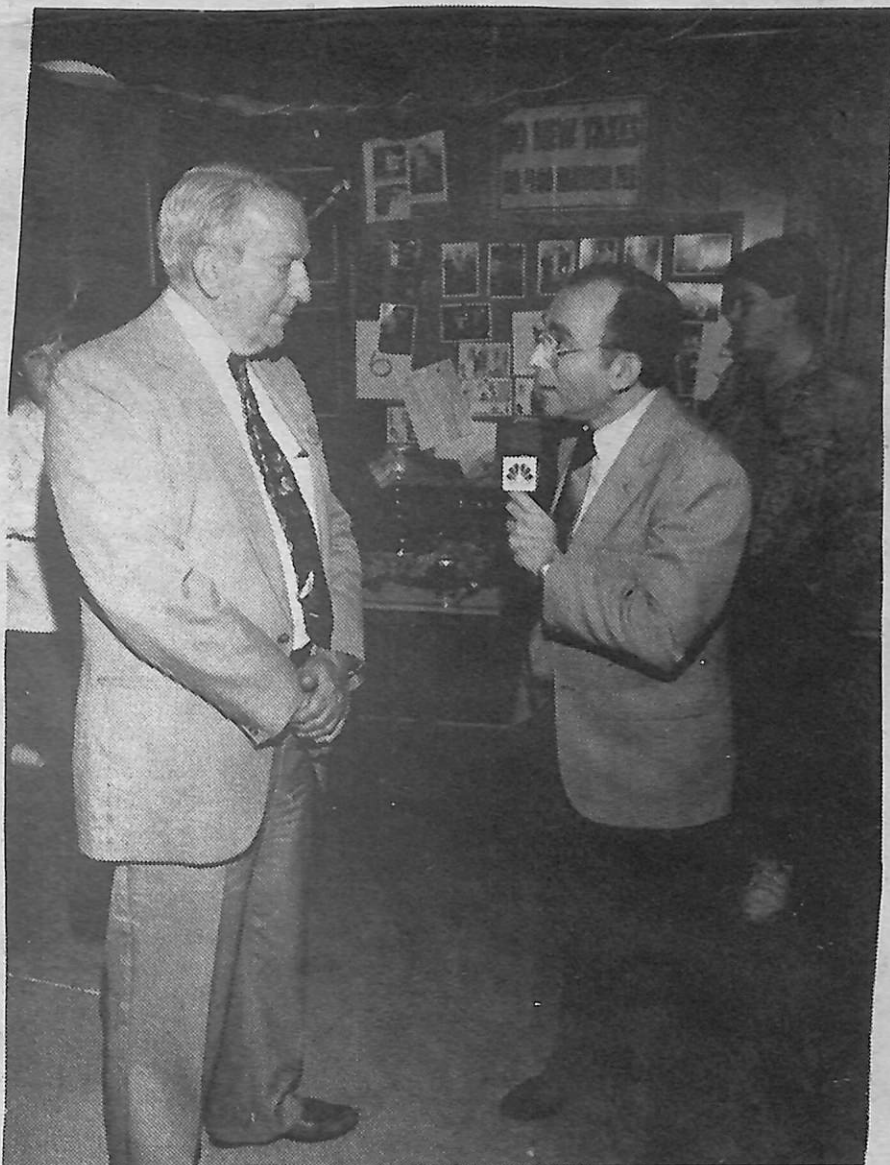
MAYOR-ELECT CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON (center) enjoys his victory party with his proud family. From left - Lisa, Robert Jr., Marilyn, Robert Sr., and Dana. Missing is Johnson's sister, Beverly, who is attending college in Delaware. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AT JOHNSON HEADQUARTERS TUESDAY NIGHT - Johnson campaign workers whoop-it-up as they celebrate their candidate's victory. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



A TOAST FOR THE WINNER - Robert Sr. & Marilyn Johnson sip on champagne as their son, Mayor-Elect Christopher Johnson toasts the end of the long campaign at jubilant Johnson Headquarters Tuesday night. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ON LIVE TV: TV-22 Reporter Sy Becker interviews Town Councilor Frederick Nardi at Nardi Headquarters late Tuesday night.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



NARDI CAMPAIGN SUPPORTERS DON HANNA (left) and Joe Conte, Jr., pictured at Nardi Headquarters Tuesday night.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

No Regrets For Nardi As He Looks Forward To Continuing As Town Councilor

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Frederick Nardi lost the battle to become Agawam's first Mayor, but he'll continue to fight to keep his name in the political spotlight, Nardi said Tuesday night after losing to freshman Town Councilor Christopher Johnson.

In fact, he's already admitted that he plans to seek an unprecedented ninth term on the Town Council during the Annual Municipal Elections this fall.

Within an hour of the closing of the polls, it was evident that Nardi lost his bid for Mayor by a substantial (over 5,000 vote) margin, and while disappointment at that loss was evident, Nardi remained both gracious and optimistic about continuing his political career.

"I'm going to take a little time off," he stated, noting that the seven-month campaign was tiring. "Perhaps we'll (he and wife, Dorothea Nardi) go to the (Martha's) Vineyard for a while."

Nardi, 68, owns a home on Martha's Vineyard.

But Nardi had planned to be at Wednesday's Town Council meeting. "I'm still a member of the council,"

Nardi said.

Nardi said it was obvious townspeople overwhelmingly were seeking a change by choosing Johnson to be the town's first Mayor. Nardi said he was proud of his campaign, as well as the many people who loyally supported his bid to become Mayor.

Nardi made a brief appearance at Mayoral-Elect Christopher Johnson's Springfield Street headquarters to congratulate the first-term councilor for a resounding victory.

Nardi says he plans to make proposals to the council about how and where to look for funds to offset the budget cuts that are decimating the Fiscal Year 1990 budget. "If they (the council) go for it, fine. If they don't, c'est la vie!"

During his campaign, Nardi had repeatedly stressed that he knew "where to find the money" and "who to talk to" to get things done, while citing Johnson's inexperience with the mechanics of business and politics.

Whether the council will listen to or act on Nardi's recommendations remains to be seen, but Nardi again reiterated he plans to "give it a try."

Meanwhile, staunch Nardi supporters flocked to his Main Street headquarters to review the election, console the candidate, and initiate new campaign strategies for an expected Primary for the 11-member Agawam Town Council.

Nardi retired from his long-time job as executive vice-president and general manager of Sweet Life Foods, located in Suffield, just before the New Year.

He is the only councilor to serve since the manager/council charter replaced the old Selectman/Town Meeting form of government in 1972.

Nardi is a former Selectman and was also a long-time member of the Agawam Democratic Town Committee.

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Bonavita, who finished third in the March 28th Primary. Bonavita also said he was endorsing Johnson because Johnson held similar ideals as he (Bonavita).

Nolan has spent the past seven months working with Johnson to create and promote this first-term Town Councilor to the town's first Mayoral seat.

"Our people knew from way back that the campaigning just doesn't stop," Nolan said. "Not for even a day. You can't count on anything. We know we have to work all the way."

During the course of Election Day Nolan kept track of which campaign workers were shifting precincts and making sure that coffee was delivered and lunches provided.

So despite the rain, and the damp that was increasingly bone-chilling the longer he stood out in it, Nolan, and all of the Johnson campaign crew, were simply "hanging in there."



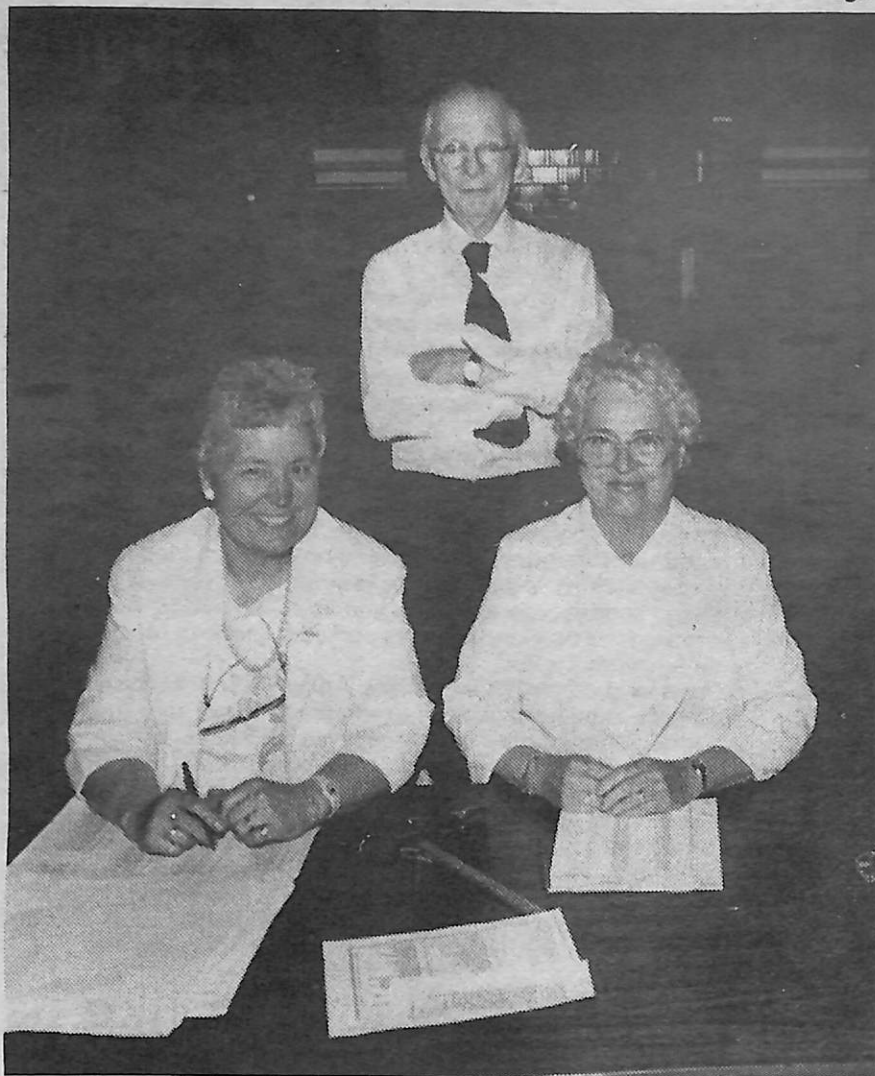
A GROUP OF NARDI CAMPAIGN supporters listen as their candidate is being interviewed on TV-22 for "News At 11." Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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KEEPING TABS ON THE MAYORAL ELECTIONS throughout the day at Johnson Headquarters were Phyl O'Connor and Fran Porter. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LONG-TIME ELECTION WARDEN Harold Walker poses with poll workers Marilyn Curry (left) and Dorcas Maas at Granger School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Long-Time Election Warden Walker Thinks New Mayor System Can Work

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

"I think he'll surprise us all," says Harold Walker, a familiar face to Agawam voters for more than half a century.

Walker, who claims to be "almost 80," has worked the polls for the Town of Agawam since 1942.

Walker fondly remembers his days holding political signs outside local precincts to his days indoors as a warden, with an ear tuned to the sound of the political wind.

He looks at the results of Tuesday's Mayoral Election and calls the margin of victory "a big surprise," and though political watchdogs have consistently given relative newcomer to politics Christopher Johnson an edge, no one thought it would be quite as

large an edge as 5,395 votes over veteran political figure Frederick Nardi.

When Walker looks ahead to Agawam politics under this new Mayoral format, he thinks "the Town Council will give Johnson a hard time."

Walker made his own predictions about portions of the outcome, calling for Johnson to take 1,350 votes in Precinct 2. In fact, Johnson took 1,366, making Walker's forecasting about as close as it can be.

Walker has fond memories of his mother, the last of the suffragettes, a lady who passed away two years ago last December (just a few months shy of her 100th birthday). She passed away at 11:30 p.m. on December 31st, Walker recalls, just prior to the New Year.

"She was one of the founders of the Springfield Republican Women's Committee," Walker remembers, looking back some 60 or 70 years. With her political activism as a guide and inspiration, it's no wonder Walker's eyes and ears have stayed tuned to politics throughout his life.

As he looks over the job facing the first Mayor, he thinks the new system will work "if the council lets it."

Walker has been an active member of the Agawam Republican Town Committee, and beams with pride over the foothold Republicans have had on the White House in Washington, D.C., since 1980, including President George Bush, who was elected to office last November (the same day Agawam opted for a Mayoral system over the former appointed town manager).

Rain Can't Stop Hordes Of Campaign Helpers



JOHNSON CAMPAIGN WORKERS Louis Planzo and Brenda Peretti and Nardi supporters Bill Pfau and Loren Montanga said Tuesday's heavy rains couldn't discourage them from lobbying for their respective candidate outside the Phelps School polling area. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1989 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of JANET D'ORAZIO who is seeking relief from Section 20, Paragraph 43 (a) to allow a residence building to be used as professional offices with less than the required setback at the premises identified as 333 SUFFIELD STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Lariviere, Chairman

Published: May 4, 1989

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Dated this 1st day of May, 1989. Information regarding this petition may be obtained from Western Mass. Electric Company in Springfield, Tel. No. 785-5871 Ext. 2480.

Petition No. AG-1290
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Council Clerk

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Mrs. Nardi Says Campaign Spotlighted Friends, Family

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

"The town's loss is my gain," says Mrs. Dorothea Nardi, acknowledging her husband's defeat in his bid to be Agawam's first Mayor.

Her husband, veteran Town Councilor and political figure Frederick Nardi, was defeated by over a 3-1 margin following a seven-month campaign that drew record voter turnouts in both the March 28th Primary and Tuesday's Mayoral Election (70 percent).

Standing outside a crowded Nardi Headquarters on Main Street, Mrs. Nardi voiced her faith in her husband and his ideals. "I know my husband, and what he stands for," she said. "Win or lose, I love him."

She admits that the campaign pace has been tiring, but notes that the fatigue is shared by the many faithful supporters who showed-up at Nardi Headquarters to share and hopefully ease the disappointment of losing the Mayor's seat.

"You really know who your friends are when you lose," she adds, pointing out the crowds spilling through the door and the cars parked for several blocks on both sides of Main Street, Agawam Center.

Mrs. Nardi, a teacher and administrator in the Agawam School System since 1942, said she would have liked her husband to win the Mayoral seat that was so important to him, but adds that she's "greatly relieved that it's over."

Looking forward to a bit of rest before tackling the mainstream of political activity again, she credits the many workers and campaigners for their dedication and loyalty, and is somewhat amazed by the turnout for the losing candidate. "These are our friends," she says.

Mrs. Nardi, an English teacher at Agawam High School, was often seen holding signs for her husband at intersections in town, particularly Feeding Hills Center.

She reminisced about being involved in politics for most of her adult life, and reaffirmed her husband's dedication to the community over the years.

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Tax Collections Pour In Treasurer's Office

by Christine Piesyk

The Town Collector's Office set new records for the amount of tax monies collected in a single day, as Agawam residents paid more than \$1 million on property tax bills last Thursday alone.

According to Town Treasurer Rudolfo Altobelli, most taxpayers met the Monday (May 1st) deadline for tax payments, bringing between \$500,000 to \$1 million a day into Town Hall, which had extended payment hours until 6:00 p.m. Monday night.

Anne Marie Hartmann, deputy collector, noted, however, that few people took advantage of the extended payment time, and most managed to get their payments in during regular business hours.

"We had two days on which we took in a million dollars a day," Ms. Hartmann added.

Altobelli had been concerned about the slow rate of payments for the second half property tax bills, attributing that slow payment process to a conflict with income tax season and the fact that the first half bills were mailed late in December, creating a domino effect of late payments.

Though there are few unpaid tax bills remaining, Altobelli notes that late bills will be assessed interest charges for a full month (31 days) even if they are only two or three days late.

His office is now preparing demand notices and tax takings for 1988, the next step towards balancing the collection books in the town treasury.

"I was very happy with the way my staff handled the collections. It was orderly and we tried very hard to take care of the public in the most professional manner possible," said Altobelli.

May Proclaimed "Buddy Poppy" Month

At the request of Orville Burt Post 1632, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the Agawam Town Council has proclaimed May as "Buddy Poppy" Month. Containers of "Buddy Poppies" may be found at various stores in Agawam.

Post 1632 appreciates the management of these outlets and their patriotism in allowing placement of the poppies in their stores. Money raised by the sale of these poppies is used exclusively for veterans' benefits.

According to Donald R. Catchepaugh, commander, "Remember the dead by helping the living." He asks that poppies be worn proudly by as many as possible during May.

Town Proclamation For Agawam VFW

WHEREAS: The annual sale of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has been officially recognized and endorsed by governmental leaders since 1922; and

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WHEREAS: The basic purpose of the annual sale of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars is eloquently reflected in the desire to "Honor the Dead by Helping the Living."

THEREFORE: I, Donald M. Rheault, President of the Agawam Town Council of the Town of Agawam do hereby urge the citizens of this community to recognize the merits of this cause by contributing generously to its support through the purchase of Buddy Poppies during the month of May for the distribution of these symbols of appreciation for the sacrifices of our honored dead.

I urge all patriotic citizens to wear a Buddy Poppy as mute evidence of our gratitude to the men of this country who have risked their lives in defense of the freedom which we continue to enjoy as American citizens.

**Donald M. Rheault, President
Agawam Town Council**

Agawam Obituaries

Dr. Allen D. Paley

Dr. Allen David Paley, 56, of Mayfield, New York, a former Agawam dentist for 25 years, died Friday, April 28th, in Albany Medical Center Hospital.

He was currently the owner and operator of the Dental Care Services in Amsterdam Mall, and was on the dental staff at St. Mary's Hospital, Amsterdam.

Born in New York City, he lived 25 years in Agawam, moving to Mayfield in 1985.

He attended New York City public schools, and was a graduate of the Tufts University Dental School of Boston, and a member of the F.M.H. Dental Society.

He was also an Army veteran of the Korean War, serving as a captain, and was a member of the Amsterdam Lodge of Elks.

He leaves his wife, the former Anna Marie Chiofalo; three sons, Douglas of Agawam, Jonathan of Hillside, New Jersey, and Dr. Bruce of Miami Beach, Florida; a daughter, Elizabeth Paley of Valencia, California.

The funeral was in the Kneseth Israel Synagogue, Gloversville, New York, with burial in Mayfield Union Rural Cemetery. Levine Memorial Chapel, Albany, was in charge. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association, 393 Maple Street, Springfield, MA.

Victor Chelefou

Victor "Frenchy" Chelefou, 83, of 415 Silver Street, Agawam, formerly of Stafford Street, Springfield, a retired trucker for John's Trucking Company, died at home. He retired in 1969.

Born in Sciota, New York, he lived 65 years in Springfield, moving to Agawam last year. His wife, the former Margaret J. Darby, died in 1988.

He leaves a daughter, Dorothy A. Rosati of Agawam; two sisters, Nellie Hirt of Springfield and Eva DeBarge of Holyoke, four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral was at Colonial Funeral Home, with burial in Grove Cemetery, Windsor Locks, Connecticut.

Roland A. Sheperd

Roland A. Sheperd, 90, of 603 Mill Street, Feeding Hills, a retired custodian for Zane Wernick Company of East Longmeadow, died in the Veterans Administration Center, Northampton.

Born in Irasburg, Vermont, he lived in the Springfield area most of his life, and was an Army veteran of World War II. He reached the rank of sergeant. His wife, the former Mildred Welcome, died in 1977.

He leaves a sister, Dorothy Cote of Greenfield, and two half-brothers, Homer Miller of North Wolcott, Vermont, and Roger Miller of Morrisville, Vermont.

The funeral and burial were private. Dickinson-Streeter Funeral Home was in charge.

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Teen Parties

by Officer Wayne Macey
Crime Prevention Bureau

The teenage years are oftentimes filled with requests to both host and attend parties.

While it is important that we convey a sense of trust to our children, it is even more important to set the ground rules and make sure they are strictly enforced. Parties can be a source of pleasure and peer interaction, or they can become monsters over which we may lose total control. Planning is the key. If the party is well-supervised and organized, problems will be minimal.

If you are allowing your teenager to host a party, the following should be considered:

Plan the party in advance and go over the guest list with your child. If you agree to who is invited, you can curb the open party situation.

Next, make sure to set a **time limit** for both the start and end of the party. Consider daytime parties as an alternative to those in the evening and plan for some form of activity such as swimming, lawn games, or group contests.

Make sure all rules are **agreed to ahead of time**. Some of these might include **no drugs**, including **alcohol**, **no smoking**, **no leaving and then returning** to the party, **no gate crashers** allowed, and lights should be left on and some rooms of the house are off limits.

Parents should be aware of their responsibilities and be highly-visible. It is illegal to serve alcohol or other drugs to minors, and adults can be held accountable for anything that may happen to a teen as a result of his or her consumption of these drugs. Parents should plan on inviting another adult couple or two over to help supervise the activities.

If your teenager is invited to a party, make sure you call the host parent prior to the party and make sure there is an understanding as to the nature, length, and ground rules of the party.

The issue here is not one of trusting your teen, but rather one of parents agreeing with each other. Check the plans with your teen beforehand. Know where they are going and with whom they will be spending their time.

If you are taking them to the party, make sure they get into the house and if you are familiar with the host parents, introduce yourself. Make it easy for your son or daughter to leave a party.

If there is drinking or drugs, or any other reason your teen wishes to leave, make arrangements so that you or another designated adult can pick them up (no questions asked).

Let them know there will be no punishments or restrictions for a call letting you know things are getting out of hand. Remember, parents are legally responsible; **no alcohol or drugs**, **no gate crashers**, and **know where your child is and with whom**.

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by Attorney
Rene Thomas

QUESTION: I would like to donate some of my organs for transplantation upon my death. How do I go about this in a legal way so that my wishes will be accomplished?

ANSWER: A person over the age of 18 and of sound mind can make gifts of body parts, or the entire body itself, after his or her death for purposes such as education, research or transplantation.

The gift of body parts can be done in either of two ways. First, and probably the best, is to execute a written document that is witnessed by two persons and, although not required, probably better to be acknowledged before a notary. The document would spell out your intent and specify the body parts to be donated and the purpose or purposes of the gift.

A second way would be to incorporate this gift of body parts into your last will and testament. However, a will may not be looked at until after the funeral and burial, and then it would be too late to accomplish your wishes.

Agawam Police Blotter For Last Week

On April 25th, **David Lee Wands**, 27 Center Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Detective Alan Collins and Detective Gerald O'Keefe.

On April 26th, **Kenneth W. Moffit**, Pleasure Hill Road, Franklin, Connecticut, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien and Mark Pfau.

On April 28th, **Bruce E. Sprouse**, 16 Suffield Street, Windsor Locks, Connecticut, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Walter Zymroz and Keith Bopko.

On April 28th, **Richard McClain, Jr.**, 87 Dogwood Lane, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Palmer Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Detective Walter Letellier.

On April 28th, **Marie Williams**, 113 Rochelle Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with shoplifting. Arresting officers were Daniel Ciak and Mark Pfau.

On April 29th, **Joseph Scott**, 167 Sibley Avenue, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien and S. Maragonoli.

On April 29th, **Steven Chenevert**, 44 Kellogg Avenue, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officer was Keith Bopko.

FIRE-WISE

by Fire Chief Rusty Jenks

Put It Out

Imagine having a 24-hour firefighter right in your home. Sound impractical? Not necessarily. The Agawam Fire Department would like you to know how safe and practical home fire sprinklers are.

If a fire breaks out in your home, a fire sprinkler head in the area will open within about 30 seconds, spraying water on the fire to put it out. The fire won't be able to spread beyond the spot where it starts. Even if you're not at home, the fire will be taken care of. The combination of smoke detectors to wake you up and home sprinklers to put out the fire can't be beat.

Fire sprinklers for commercial structures have been around for a long time. But modern techniques and materials have made them practical for home use as well. Still, many people have concerns about putting sprinklers in their homes.

Aren't they big and ugly? Modern sprinkler systems for home use are very different from the sprinklers you've probably seen in warehouses, shopping malls, and restaurants. They are small, hug the wall, or ceiling, and blend right in. Many actually recess into the wall, popping out when needed. Some companies have special kinds for adding to existing homes that look just like crown molding.

What if they go off by mistake? Rigorous tests conducted by Factory Mutual, an independent testing laboratory, show that residential sprinkler systems have only a one-in-16 million chance of a false response. That's not a bad record.

What about water damage? Isn't it just as bad as the fire? Today's residential sprinkler systems use a minimum of water. Most operate directly from the home's own water system, so the water is clean. Only the sprinkler head nearest the fire will operate, not all the sprinkler heads in the house. And water is nowhere near as destructive as fire.

The small amount of water needed to put out the fire will keep the fire from spreading. Within a few short minutes the fire will be out; shortly after, the water flow will stop. Without the sprinkler, the fire would continue to ravage your home and belongings.

What about cost? A sprinkler system can be installed in a home under construction very economically: usually less than \$1 per square foot. Adding sprinklers to an existing home costs more, but most insurance companies give substantial discounts on policies for homes with sprinklers.

A home sprinkler system is worth considering. Perhaps you've been wondering about the best way to use your income tax refund. Wouldn't you rest easier on your summer vacation this year if your 24-hour firefighter was on duty?

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Happy 25th Anniversary Ma and Dad



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Families

Agawam Residents Out To Fight World Hunger

This weekend Agawam residents are encouraged to support the following events which are designed to eradicate hunger in our area and in our world.

The Food Ingathering for the Open Pantry will be held on Saturday, May 6th. Everyone is encouraged to stop by the major food stores (Big Y, Foodmart, and the Agawam Public Market) to make a food purchase and donation to the Open Pantry of West Springfield, which serves a significant number of Agawam/Feeding Hills residents. Those not wishing to purchase food may make money donations to volunteers who will be collecting funds at the exit doors of the markets.

This ingathering, also being conducted in West Springfield, is essential to restocking the Pantry shelves from the winter depletion, and for overstocking the shelves to cover for the lean donations during the summer months. Many thanks to all the schoolchildren of Agawam who have donated food this past week through their school fund drives.

The Annual CROP Walk this year including our friends from West Springfield, will begin at the Agawam High School parking lot this Sunday, May 7th, at 1:30 p.m. Walkers should be financially sponsored for the number of kilometers they walk (of a possible 10), and will need to obtain sponsor forms from their local church, or from Bob Broga of Cook Builders' Supply Company. It is hoped that this year's walk will smash last year's record ingathering of more than \$10,000 for the relief of hunger.

Please support these efforts with your participation, your donations, and your prayers. It is this kind of caring which can make us proud of our town.

Agawam Garden Club To Host Program By Bonsai Society

The Agawam Garden Club will meet Tuesday, May 9th, at 7:15 p.m., at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam.

The program for the evening will be presented by The Bonsai Society of Greater Springfield.

Ed Newlin, president, and members will demonstrate how to look at a tree for Bonsai culture and decide the style in which it should be wired.

They also will have different styles and types of trees on exhibit, and will show and explain basic techniques for starting a Bonsai.

Final plans will be made for the Annual Plant and Bake Sale, Saturday, May 20th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, at the Captain Charles Leonard House.

Refreshments will be served. Guests and new members are welcome.

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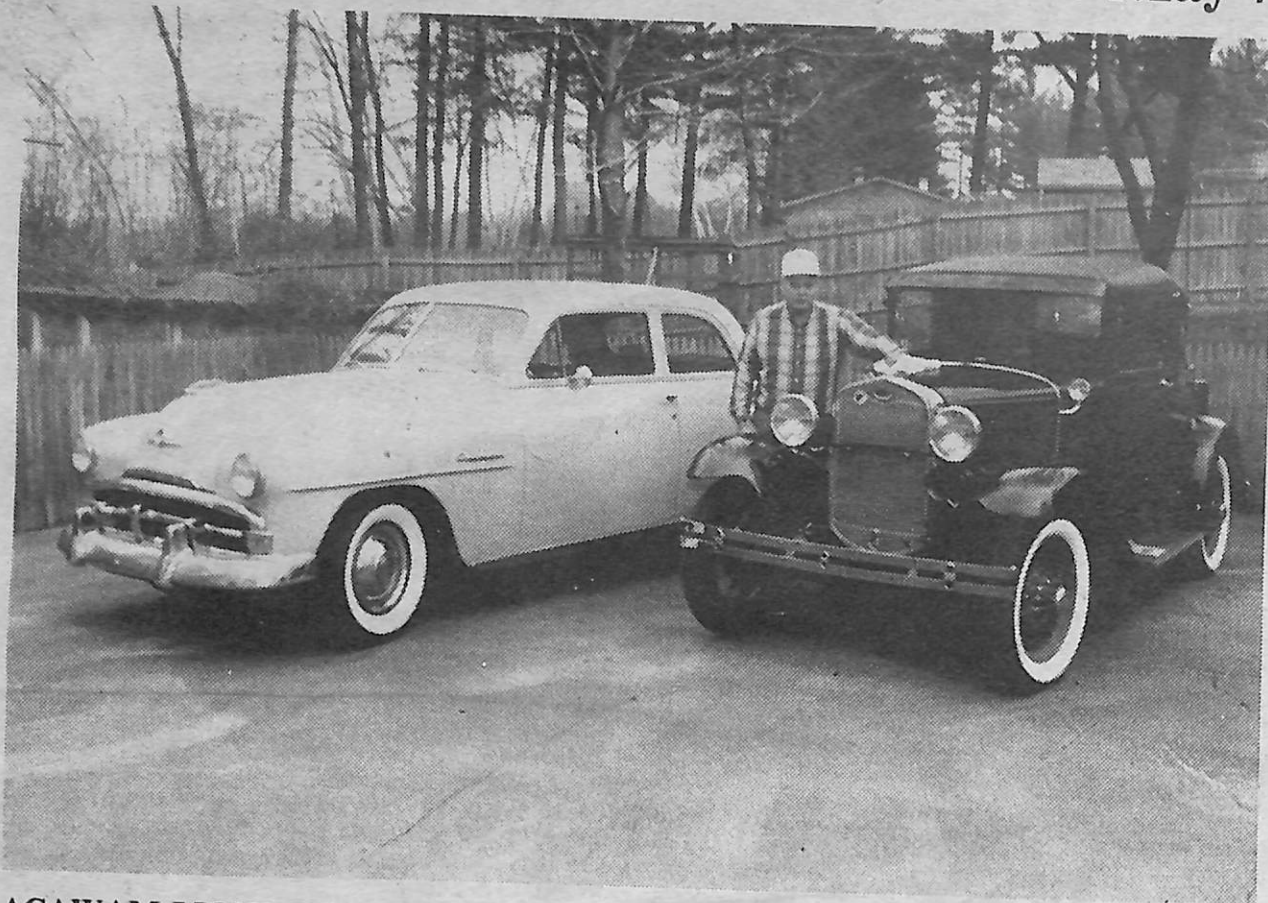
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Here Comes The Lions Club's Car Show May 7



AGAWAM LIONS CLUB MEMBER Donald Sorel puts last minute polish on his cars that will on on display at the Agawam Lions Club's "Car Show and Swap Meet" on Sunday, May 7th, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at Riverside Park. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, townsfolk turn our pages every week - AAN

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Genesis Life Center Announces May Programs

The Genesis Spiritual Life Center has announced its May schedule of programs, workshops, courses, and lectures, which are all open to the public.

The schedule:

May 12th-18th—"The Art of Prayer." A retreat led by Father Hedwig Lewis, SJ.

May 19th-21st—"Thomas Merton and the Human Condition." A workshop led by James Thuline, STL.

May 20th—"Life-Knowledge." A one-day course on the culture, food, and herbs of India. Teacher: Joseph Selvester.

May 20th-21st—"Feldenkrais Awareness Through Movement Workshop." Led by Viki Maureen Ahrensford.

May 23rd-31st—"Eight-Day Directed Retreat." Directors: Rev. Joseph Infantini, Elizabeth McLaughlin, SND, and Rachel Gonthier, SSch.

The following support groups meet regularly at Genesis: A group for people divorced or separated meets on the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 7:30 p.m. Grieving persons meet the third Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. Adult children of alcoholics meet every Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Also scheduled for May are Ministerial Days for reflection, reading, quiet, and prayer. Offered every Tuesday for men and women involved in full or part-time ministry, they include lunch and the use of a private room.

The Genesis Spiritual Life Center designs and sponsors workshops, retreats, courses, and lectures. It seeks to encourage the integration of mind, body, and spirit in ways that promote personal growth and social responsibility.

The non-profit Center, which welcomes people of all faiths, is owned and operated by the Sisters of Providence and is a member of the Providence Systems.

To register, or for more information, call Genesis, 562-3627.

Springfield Art Museums To Sponsor Bronx Zoo Trip

On Saturday, May 20th, the Springfield Art Museums will sponsor a bus trip to the Bronx Zoo—one of the best in the country! Don't miss this opportunity to travel in comfort, without the stresses of city driving, to the premier zoo around. Children are welcome and what better place to spend a day with that special child in your life.

Run loose in the wildest 265 acres around. Experience the tropical mist of Southeast Asia at Jungle World. Take a journey on the Bengal Express Monorail through Wild Asia and a soaring flight over the zoo on the skyfari. For a special glimpse of nightlife, stop in at the World of Darkness which enables you to see nocturnal animals in their active state. Where else but at the Bronx Zoo!

For information on how you can spend a wonderful Saturday visiting the animals and greeting springtime, contact the museum travel coordinator at 733-4214. Space is limited, so make your reservations early. The cost of the trip, which includes zoo admission and snacks to and from New York, is \$35 for members; \$44 for nonmembers, and \$32 for children ages 2-12.

Cub Scouts Celebrate Blue & Gold Banquet

Cub Scouts of Pack 77 held their Annual Blue and Gold Banquet, Sunday, April 23th, at St. John the Evangelist Parish Center.

Each den provided a delicious pot luck dinner, with Bob Casinghino, cubmaster, presenting awards afterwards. Each den also awarded certificates of promotion to those boys who stepped up in rank. Lawrence Kerr was also honored for his graduation from Tiger to official Cub Scout.

Debbie Casinghino, assistant cub master, thanked all of the leaders and committee members who helped to make Pack 77 a quality unit.

Entertainment following the awards presentation was provided by Chief Taylor B. Cook, who led the boys on a bear hunt adventure. The banquet marked the close of a busy and fun-filled year for the Cub Scouts, many of whom will now take the big step of becoming Boy Scouts.

Family History Course Set At Historic Museum

Are you trying to find out more about your family's past, but run into trouble when you try to locate census records? Or maybe you'd like to use census information in researching your family history but don't know which records to start with. Active genealogist, John P. O'Connor, will conduct a one-day workshop on problems and solutions in researching family history on Monday, May 15th, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum.

John P. O'Connor will explain the common obstacles encountered in census research by genealogists and local historians. "Census Sense" will demystify the intricacies of printed indexes and Soundex entries. The stumbling blocks in tracing families due to inaccuracies caused by census takers and what is and is not contained in the Federal Census will be explained along with a brief look at the Massachusetts State Census. All of the problems you might encounter will come with solutions. O'Connor will discuss a variety of ways to make sense of census records.

You will need to bring a notebook and pencil to the workshop—no pens, please! Pre-registration and prepayment are required at least one week before the workshop. For more information, please contact the Historical Museum, 732-3080.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery Council, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

The Historical Museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield, and is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.

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Saturday, May 6th
Spring Smorgasbord
Ag. United Methodist Women
4:45 and 6:15 p.m.

Saturday, May 13th
Journey For Sight Tag Sale
Agawam Lions Club
Sacred Heart Parish Center
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 13th
Baked Ham Supper
Valley Community Church
Serving at 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

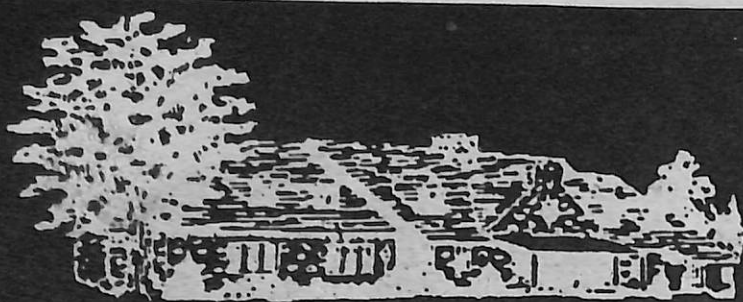
Saturday, May 13th
Roast Beef Supper
Operation Friendship Group at
Feeding Hills Congo Church
Servings 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 23rd
Annual Pastor's Golf Tourney
St. Anthony Church
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Cake
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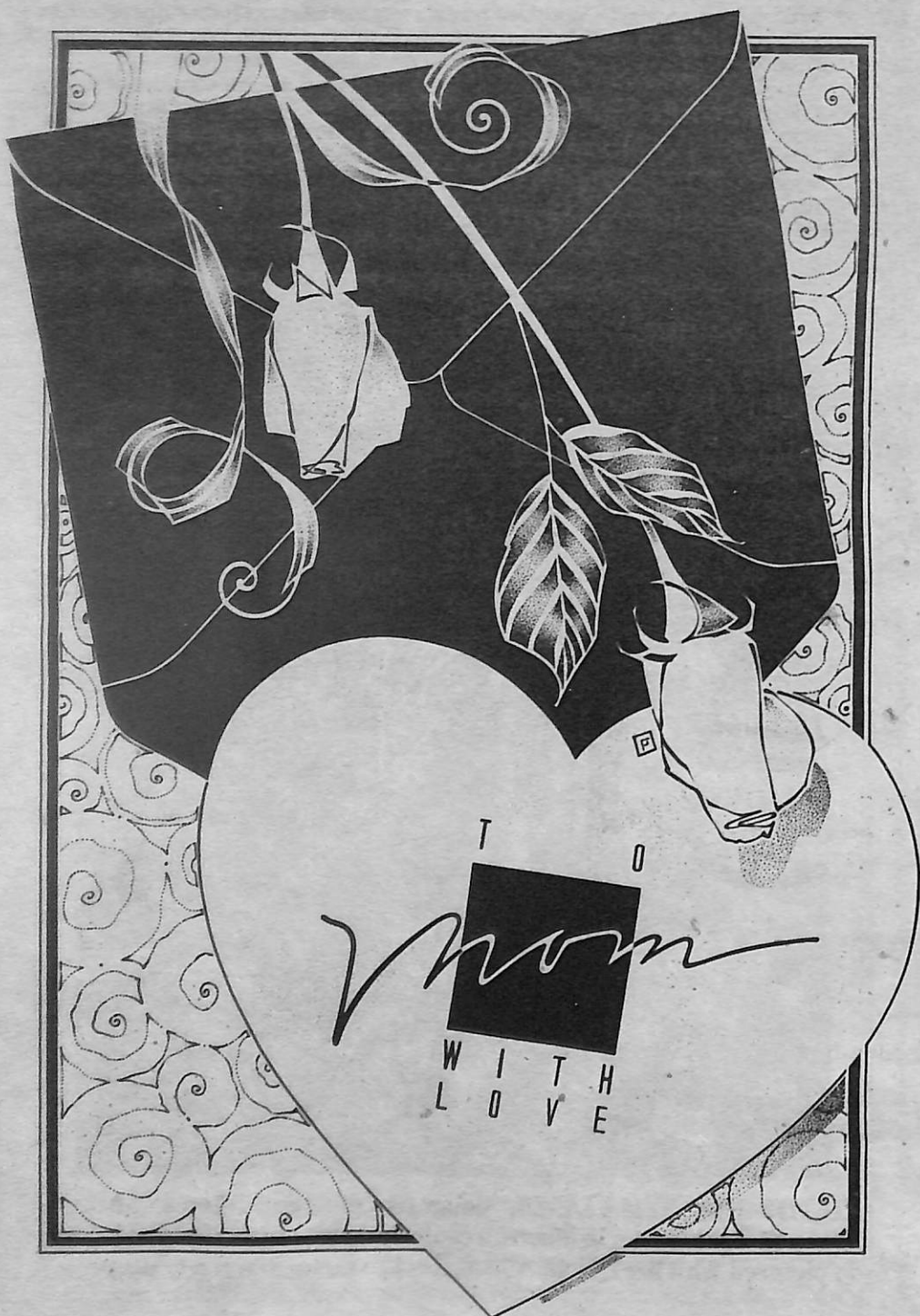
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Spotlight On Business.



AGAWAM SPORTSWORLD is located at 760 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PROUD OWNERS of the sporting goods store are Dave & Debbie MacWilliams of Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam SportsWorld Celebrating 3rd Anniversary In Business This Week

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

It's a lot of merchandise for a little bit of space. But for **Agawam SportsWorld** owner Dave MacWilliams of Feeding Hills, every little bit counts.

MacWilliams has something for virtually every sport, with emphasis on hunting, fishing, and water sports. For the bow hunter or target shooter, there's a selection of finely-crafted bows, with arrows for every need from target shot to hunt.

Fishermen can find the rod and reel of choice, and every imaginable hook, line, and sinker to tie on it, along with an array of lures to tempt most fish right out of the water.

MacWilliams also stocks bait: nightcrawlers, worms, mealworms, and shiners.

For water-lovers, there are wetsuits, fins, masks, single and paired-waterskis, kneeboards (a cross between surfing and skiing that is garnering increased

popularity every year). There are lifevests, snorkeling gear, tow ropes, and ski-lines.

MacWilliams opened his **SportsWorld** shop three years ago this week, after managing a television repair shop for more than 10 years at that same location on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

"I wanted to get into a business in which I could involve my whole family," he says. "We all love sports, especially water sports. It made this a natural."

MacWilliams shares store management responsibilities with his wife, Deborah. And on any given day you can find their children, 15 year-old Heidi and 12 year-old David, working alongside mom and dad.

Agawam SportsWorld offers a selection of sport shoes, sweatshirts and pants, athletic swimwear, camouflage gear, and custom-designed hats and T-shirts (which can be prepared while-you-wait).

That's another convenience of this store.

MacWilliams stocks a hefty supply of sports-oriented videos, everything from how to fly-fish for trout to hunting black bears.

Located at 760 Springfield Street, the store looks small, but looks can be deceiving.

Upon entering this retail store, the sports-minded shopper has three separate and fully-stocked areas to browse through, and a massive storeroom to handle what can be filtered into the front rooms.

For the answers to your sports equipment queries, just call Dave at 789-3200. There's very little that's not in stock, and nothing that he can't order for you.

Store hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., with extended hours until 8:00 p.m. on Thursday. The store closes at 5:30 p.m. on Saturdays and is closed Sundays.



THE OFFICIAL MASCOT of Agawam SportsWorld hugs owner Dave MacWilliams and Joseph Beauchemin, 12. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



HEIDI MACWILLIAMS, daughter of SportsWorld owners Dave & Debbie MacWilliams, regularly helps-out at the store. She is pictured with her friend, Alison Rock. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Spotlight On Business - continued...**Dino Tangredi Receives Liberty Mutual Award**

As part of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company's Employee Recognition Program, Dino M. Tangredi of Agawam, was recently presented the company's Chairman's Award. Tangredi was one of eight employees nationwide recognized in 1988 with this prestigious award for outstanding service to the company and its policyholders.

Tangredi and the other award recipients met with Liberty Mutual President and Chief Executive Officer Gary L. Countryman and were honored at a recent luncheon in Boston. Liberty Mutual also provided each Chairman's Award recipient and their guest with an itinerary of events and activities to choose from during their stay in Boston.

Tangredi joined Liberty Mutual in 1987 and is presently senior claims adjuster in the Claims Department at the company's Worcester office. He is a graduate of Westfield State College.

Liberty Mutual is the fifth largest property and casualty insurance company in the United States, and has been the leading writer of workers compensation insurance since 1936. The company employs more than 23,000 people in over 325 locations throughout the United States and Canada.

E. Cecchi Farms Wins Award For Advertising Campaign

Local advertiser E. Cecchi Farms was among the winners at the 37th Annual Merit Awards, held April 25th at Chez Josef.

The Awards, hosted by the Advertising Club of Western Massachusetts, recognizes the best advertising and design in the region each year.

Their newspaper campaign, entitled "Summer, 1988" took First Place in the Black and White Newspaper Campaign category. The campaign appeared in *The Agawam Advertiser News* during the summer of 1988.

The campaign was designed and produced by David Cecchi, of DRC Design, a Feeding Hills graphic design and advertising studio.

Cecchi, a graduate of Agawam High School and the Rhode Island School of Design, is a member of the Agawam School Committee, serving as vice-chairman.

He is the son of Bob & Emily Cecchi of Feeding Hills.

Pam Savioli Named As Sales Associate Of The Month

Linda Lewis and Gary Arnold, principals of Lewis & Arnold, Inc., are pleased to announce that Pam Savioli has received the "Sales Associate of the Month" award for March.

Pam has been with the company since 1986 and during that time has achieved the prestigious GRI and CRS designations—only 1 percent of all realtors possess the CRS designation.

Since buying and selling a home is the single largest investment we make, she believes it is important for a realtor to know as much as possible about her field so she can offer professional and expert real estate advice to her customers.

The market is presently very exciting; innovative financing is available as well as a wealth of homes to choose from. Call Pam for a confidential interview regarding your real estate needs, 789-0772.



DINO M. TANGREDI (right) is congratulated by Liberty Mutual President Gary L. Countryman after receiving the "Chairman's Award."

Chamber Gathers For Breakfast Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE met last week with the membership for a regular breakfast meeting. Standing, from left - Robert Davis, Richard Augusti, and Donald Anderson. Seated - Attorney Patricia Hebert, Victor Carra, Richard Mitnick, and Donald Caron. Advertiser News photo

by Jack Devine.

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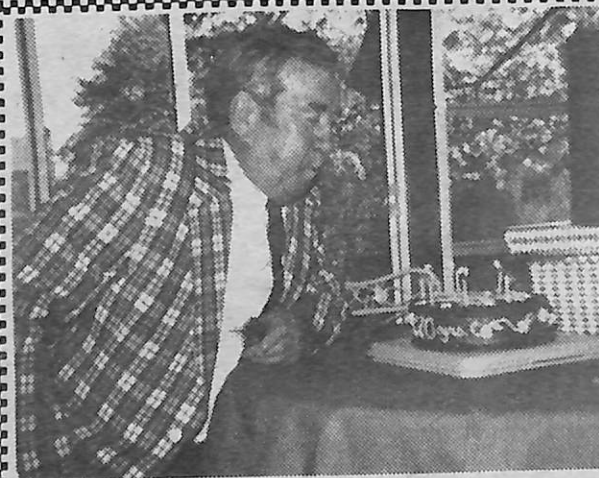
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Birthday
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Anderson**

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& Kristofer

Spotlight On Business - continued...**Knowing Many Terms Of Realtors Can Help**

by George & Green Real Estate - Agawam

Buying and selling a home can be a confusing process. Because of the terms used in real estate negotiations, it can also be intimidating.

"There is a smorgasbord of terms used to describe certain actions in real estate. Wise homebuyers and sellers should be aware of these terms and their definitions," says Tofie A. George, president of George & Green Real Estate Company, Inc.

George and Green Real Estate is a member of RELO/Inter-City Relocation Service, an international relocation network of independent real estate brokers. The RELO network is headquartered in Chicago.

George has developed a list of terms he believes will help you better cope with today's "real estate lingo."

Adjustable-rate mortgage—a loan in which the interest rate may go up or down over the years and is keyed to a financial market index. Monthly payments may also be adjusted on a periodic schedule. The initial rate often is lower than conventional financing, and there is usually a "cap" on upward adjustment of rates.

Agreement of sale—known by various names, such as "contract of purchase," "purchase agreement," "sales agreement," or "binder," according to location or jurisdiction. A contract in which a seller agrees to sell and a buyer agrees to buy, under certain specific terms and conditions spelled out in writing and signed by both parties.

Appraisal—an expert judgment or estimate of the quality or value of real estate as of a given date.

Balloon mortgage—the entire principal comes due on a specific day in the future. Until then, the borrower makes only interest payments.

Bridge loan—a loan that finances a mortgage between the end of one loan and the beginning of a new one.

Certificate of title—a document signed by a title examiner or attorney, stating that the seller has good marketable and insurable title.

Closing—the settlement of the transaction between the seller and the buyer.

Closing costs—fees and expenses, not including the purchase price of a property, that are paid by the seller and/or buyer at the closing of a piece of property.

Commission—payment of money or other valuable consideration to a real estate broker for services performed.

Conventional loan—a fixed-rate, fixed-term loan that is made without government insurance. The interest rate stays the same for the life of the loan, therefore the monthly principal and interest payment also remain constant.

Earnest money—the deposit money given to the seller by the potential buyer as evidence of good faith in purchasing real estate.

Equity—the interest or value which the owner has in real estate over and above the debts against it.

Escrow—the money or other valuables left in trust with a third party until the fulfillment of a specific act or condition.

YOUR Dental Healthby Dr. Stephen R. Jacapraro
1379 Main Street - Agawam, 786-8177**WHEN PARTIAL DOES IT**

Q When someone loses several teeth, how can they be replaced?

A. One very common method is to create a removable partial denture. Such dentures provide natural-looking teeth in a single unit that is easily inserted or removed from the mouth. Metal clasps on some of these dentures attach them securely to adjoining teeth. Other dentures are held in place by what are called precision attachments.

In each case, the removable partial denture is one of a kind, custom-made to fit the individual's mouth. Aside from improving appearance by eliminating gaps in one's teeth, the removable partial denture helps to maintain the remaining natural teeth. It eliminates the need to chew on one side that is common when teeth are missing—something that can lead to problems with gums and other mouth tissues. A partial denture also helps to keep natural teeth from tipping or drifting.

Presented as a community service by Stephen R. Jacapraro, D.M.D., 1379 Main Street, Agawam, MA. Phone: 786-8177.

The Boys Of Sarat Ford Mean Business

DRESSED TO KILL and ready to increase their prosperous business, the boys of Sarat Ford Sales, Inc., are about to cut the ribbon at their recent Grand Opening ceremonies. From left - Jeff, John Sr., Jack Jr., Chris, and Scott Sarat. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

FHA mortgage—a mortgage loan insured by the Federal Housing Administration.

Fixed-rate mortgage—a loan, commonly for a period of 15 or 30 years, that has only one stated interest rate.

Mortgage—a lien on real estate given by the buyer as security for money borrowed from a lender.

P.I.T.I.—Principal, interest, taxes, and insurance. Most residential mortgage payments include the above and are therefore referred to as P.I.T.I.

Points—a point is one percent of the amount of the

mortgage loan, also called "discount points."

"These terms and their meanings are used most often in real estate and should make the home buying and selling process easier to understand," George concludes.

George notes that the RELO Service network is composed of nearly 1,400-member companies with more than 4,000 offices nationwide. The RELO network has representatives in 13,000 cities in the U.S. and in 19 foreign countries.

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Spotlight On Business - continued...**William A. Franks
Plans To Retire From
Park Westbank Corp.**

At the April 26th stockholders' meeting of Westbank Corporation, William A. Franks announced his retirement and received a standing ovation from the 88 people present.

For the past 26 years with Westbank, Franks has been admired by the local community for dedicating his time and resources. Franks said that although he and his wife, Rita, are looking forward to their life of retirement together, "I have enjoyed my many years with the bank," said Franks, "and I will miss the many associates and friends I made there."

William A. Franks, Jr. started his banking career with the West Springfield Trust Company in 1948, and joined Westfield Savings Bank in 1956. He was promoted to Assistant Treasurer of Westfield Savings Bank in 1960, and was elected Corporator of the bank in 1962.

His affiliation with Western Bank and Trust Company started in 1963 as Executive Vice President and Treasurer, and on September 13th, 1966, he was named President and Chief Executive Officer.

On July 16th, 1976, the Park National Bank of Holyoke merged with and into Western Bank and Trust Company at which time he was elected President of the Park West Bank and Trust company.

He was the Chief Executive Officer of Park West Bank and Trust Company since 1963, and in December of 1979 became Chairman of the Board of Westbank. During his administration as President and Chairman of the Board, Westbank has grown to over \$300 million in assets.

Franks is president of the Eastern States Exposition and a director of the Endowment Committee of the Greater Springfield YMCA.

As a director of the Westmass Area Development Corporation, he was responsible in raising the funds necessary to establish the West Springfield Industrial Park and the Agawam Industrial Park. The William A. Franks, Jr. Drive in the West Springfield Industrial Park was named after him for his contributions to the success of the Industrial Park.



WILLIAM A. FRANKS

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**Westfield Savings Sets
New Southwick Branch**

The 136 year-old tradition of Westfield Savings Bank will soon arrive in the neighboring Town of Southwick.

The bank plans to open a "new," full-service branch office at 462 College Highway, corner of Congamond Road, Routes 10 and 202.

The term "new," however, fails to accurately describe this unique, full-service branch, which is slated to open its doors to Southwick residents this fall.

Instead of erecting a "new" building at the College Highway site, Westfield Savings Bank plans to renovate an historic home still standing on the property into its newest branch office.

In this way, Westfield Savings Bank will blend its many modern banking services with a piece of the past in this rustic and charming old New England community.

According to Donald A. Williams, president and chief executive officer of Westfield Savings Bank, renovating the existing historic structure, built approximately in 1840, was a "natural move" for the bank.

"When we look over the past 136 years of banking, Westfield Savings Bank has always been a leader in community awareness and sensitivity. This old home in Southwick has definite historic value and our desire is to preserve an important part of Southwick's past in our renovation process."

Williams noted that over the years, customers from the Town of Southwick have always been an important part of the Westfield Savings Bank success story.

Williams said, "Southwick has always been supportive of the bank. We have many customers in the town. By opening this new branch, we can bring our outstanding banking tradition closer to them and reach-out to many potential new customers in a growing community."

Speaking for the Southwick Historical Commission, chairman Lee Hamberg said the five-member commission is "delighted and very happy that the bank decided to keep the house intact" in the blueprint to open the new branch office.

The home, which is often referred to in Southwick as the "Old Holcomb House," was constructed nearly 160 years ago for Southwick civic leader Carmi Shurtleff. Shurtleff was a storekeeper in Southwick who, at one time or another, served as postmaster of Southwick, town clerk, and state representative to the General Court of Massachusetts.

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Spotlight On Business - continued...**NEW SOUTHWICK BRANCH - From Page 22...**

The home was constructed as a "Greek Revival Residence." An interesting sidelight to the home's first residence is that Shurtleff, a Blandford native, was married to the former Amanda Doane.

The Doane family owned the "Doane Tavern" (1850), which was located just down the road at the present site of the Consolidated School Building (College Highway).

The Holcomb family purchased the property and house in the early part of this century. The Holcombs ran the "Holcomb Greenhouses" next to the house as a family business for a number of years.

The exterior of the house is basically the same as it was when it was built over a century-and-a-half ago. A small portico was added at the turn of this century.

The house is considered an historic site by the Southwick Historical Commission and is on file with the Massachusetts Historical Commission.

The renovation of the "Old Holcomb House" into a full-service branch office continues the expansion of Westfield Savings Bank.

In June 1987, the bank opened a new Southampton Road branch in Westfield to further service its customers on the north side of the city.

In January 1988, the bank opened an Automatic Teller Machine in the picturesque Juniper Ridge Shoppes in Feeding Hills. This further complemented the popular Westfield Savings Bank branch office on Main Street, Agawam Center.

Founded in 1853, Westfield Savings Bank's corporate offices are located at 141 Elm Street, Westfield.



Westfield Savings Off To Strong Start In 1989 First Quarter

Westfield Savings Bank held its quarterly meeting on April 18th at the Storowton Tavern in West Springfield. President Donald A. Williams reported first quarter results indicated that 1989 is off to a strong start. Deposits grew by \$9,166,000 while assets increased \$10,243,000. Bank deposits now total \$266,750,000 while total assets are \$298,394,000. Quarterly net income of \$616,645 is a reflection of this growth.

Williams noted that a softening of the mortgage market can be traced to rising interest rates. This can be seen in the first quarter mortgage lending of \$5,149,000. However, the bank believes that interest rates have peaked and should stabilize or soften over the next few months.

A new Southwick office is planned for the fall. The bank is renovating a historic building, the "Old Holcomb House" as part of an effort to help maintain a piece of Southwick's heritage.

It was also announced that Westfield Savings Bank will soon introduce two new bank products. The Advantage Biweekly Mortgage is an affordable fixed-rate mortgage that will allow people to own their home more quickly with significant interest savings versus a traditional fixed-rate mortgage. Advantage NOW is a checking account paying 5¼ percent interest and offers unlimited free check writing privileges on a low minimum balance requirement of only \$500.

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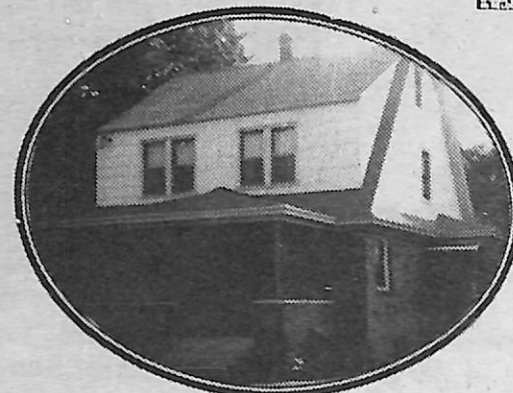
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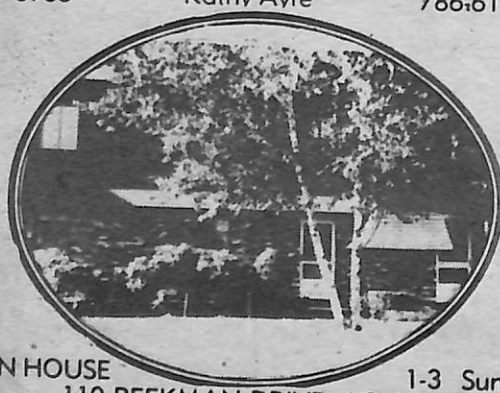
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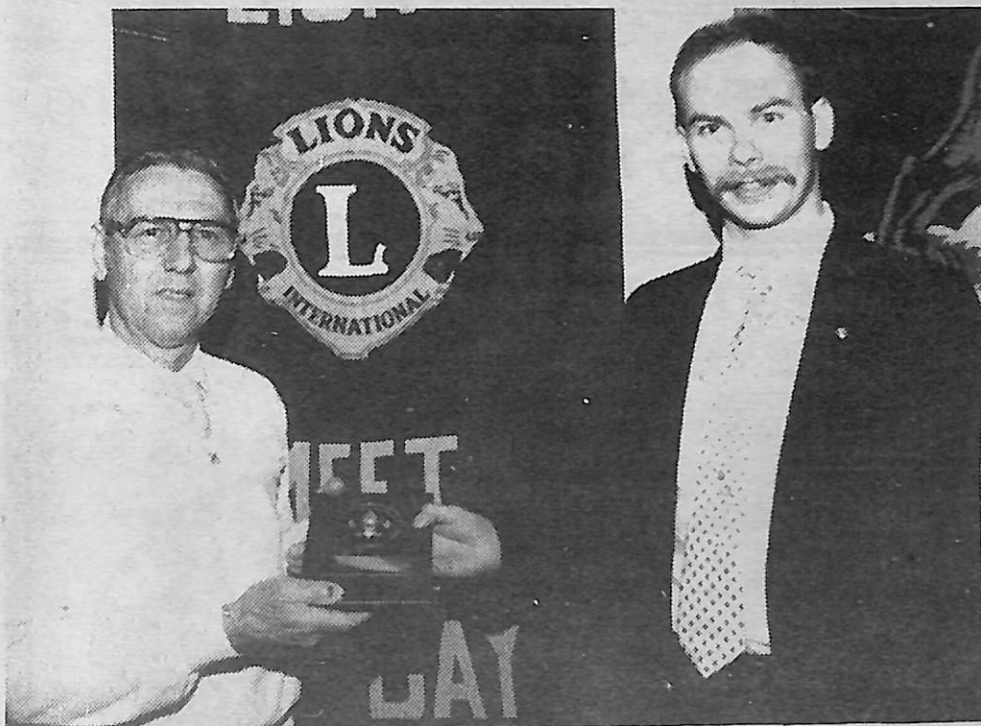
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Lions Club Busy As Ever!!!



LIONS CLUB PRESIDENT Thomas Cascio poses with new members of the club who were recently inducted. From left - Bob Gravel, Cascio, Carl Jakobek, and Bruce Jacobsen. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MATT BLACKAK (left), a member of the Agawam Lions Club, receives the "Century Member Award" for continuous financial support of the Boys Scouts of America from Boy Scout District Executive Joseph Schmidt. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Agawam Juniors Seek Help For Volunteer Protection Act

The Agawam Junior Women's Club, as active volunteers in their club, are greatly concerned in seeing that the Volunteer Protection Act is passed. As discovered by a 1987 Gallup Organization study, it was demonstrated that one in six Americans is withholding volunteer services because of concerns about personal financial liability.

If you are concerned about this matter, please write to your Senators and Representatives and urge them to support this act introduced as H.R. 911.

For more information or a copy of a sample letter, contact Eileen Hamre, 789-2818, president of the Agawam Junior Women's Club.

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A licensed hazardous waste hauler has been hired to collect household hazardous waste from residents and safely transport them to a licensed disposal facility.

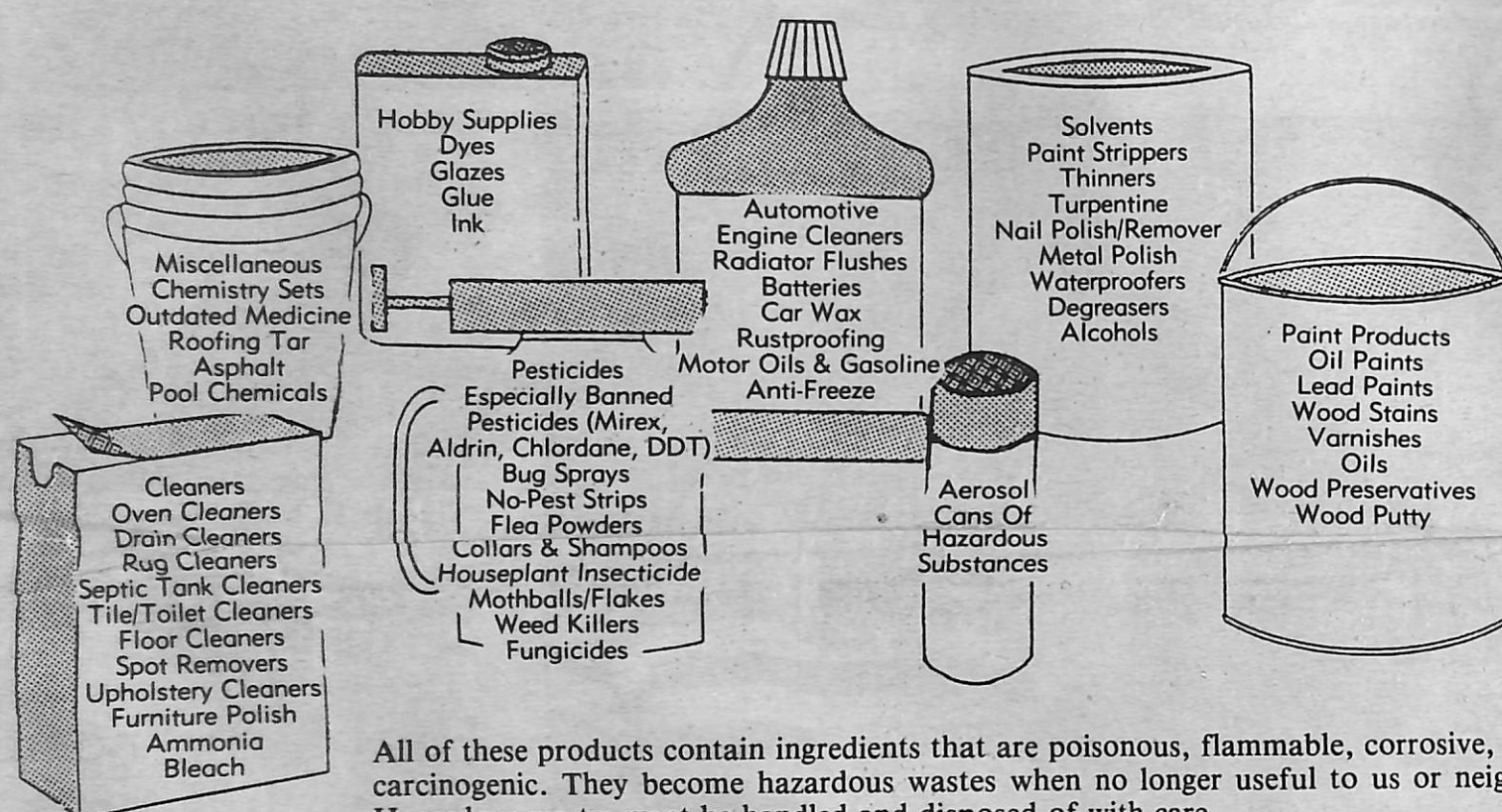
Date: Saturday, May 20th, 1989 (Rain Or Shine)

Time: 9:30 A.M. To 1:30 P.M.

Location: Agawam High School Parking Lot

(Cooper Street entrance only)

Hazardous Products In The Home



All of these products contain ingredients that are poisonous, flammable, corrosive, reactive or possibly carcinogenic. They become hazardous wastes when no longer useful to us or neighbors as products. Hazardous wastes must be handled and disposed of with care.

Who Agawam Residents Only (Proof Of Residency Required)

Bring Any waste listed above plus any other hazardous product you may have not specifically listed below as non-acceptable. Keep product in the original container with label intact. Pack containers into boxes rather than bags if possible.

Used Oil Is Now Accepted Monday—Friday, 7:30 - 4:00, At The DPW Garage, 1347 Main St. With Special Hours On Saturday, May 20th — 8:30 - 3:00.

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Please Note:

1. Any unidentifiable substance will be refused.
2. Each participant will be limited to 10 gals. or 85 lbs. Individual container size should be 5 gals. or less and bag size 50 lbs. or less. A fee will be charged for excessive amounts of waste. No commercial wastes will be accepted.
3. Agawam is not responsible for accidents which may occur as a result of this collection.

Town Officials & Civic Leaders Go To "Jail"...



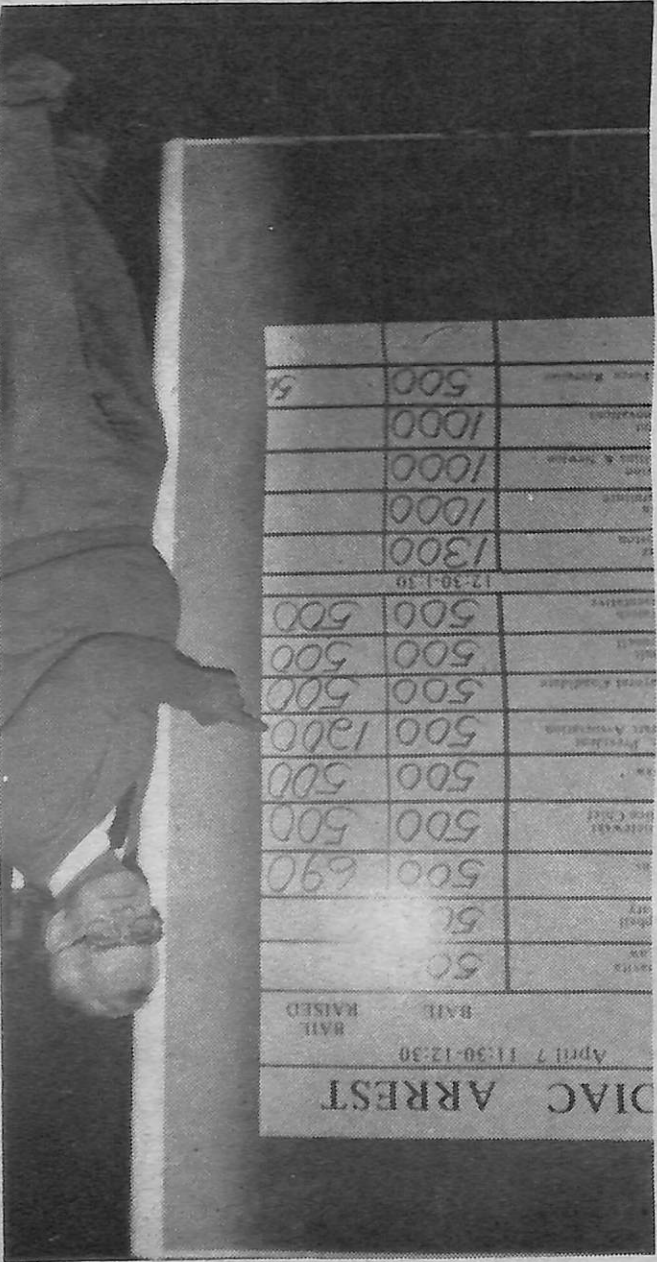
AT THE ANNUAL "JAIL BAIL" sponsored by the American Heart Association in Springfield, from left - Town Council President Donald M. Rheault, Agawam Lions Club President Thomas Cascio, and Advertiser News Staff Photographer Jack Devine, who is a long-time volunteer and board member of the Heart Association.



JAIL BIRDS JACK DEVINE and THOMAS CASCIO (right, president of the Agawam Lions Club), are about to go behind bars to obtain pledges for the American Heart Association. Devine looks as though he's in for a long, long day.



OUR TWO FAMOUS JAILBIRDS, Thomas Cascio (center) and Jack Devine (right), were joined by Agawam Police Chief Stanley J. Chmielewski (left).



AT LAST, Staff Photographer Jack Devine was able to take off his prison clothes after he met his goal of pledges. Jack says it was a long fight, but he still had enough friends out there to get "bailed out."

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LET'S TALK



REAL ESTATE

NEW THOUGHTS ON INSPECTION

Buyers of new homes may balk at the idea of having it inspected. A thorough home inspection may be thought to be necessary only for older homes which may have deteriorating mechanical systems or structural problems. A new home, on the other hand, is thought to be brand new and perfect in every way. However, the truth of the matter is that a new home can have roof and foundation problems, though most prove to be minor. Even if a new home is in tip-top shape, a home inspection can be enlightening. By accompanying the home inspector on his fact-finding mission, the homeowner can learn a great deal about the workings and structure of his new abode. In fact, this may be as close as the new homeowner will come to having an owner's manual for his new residence.

HINT: Most problems in the new home are worked out within the first six months.

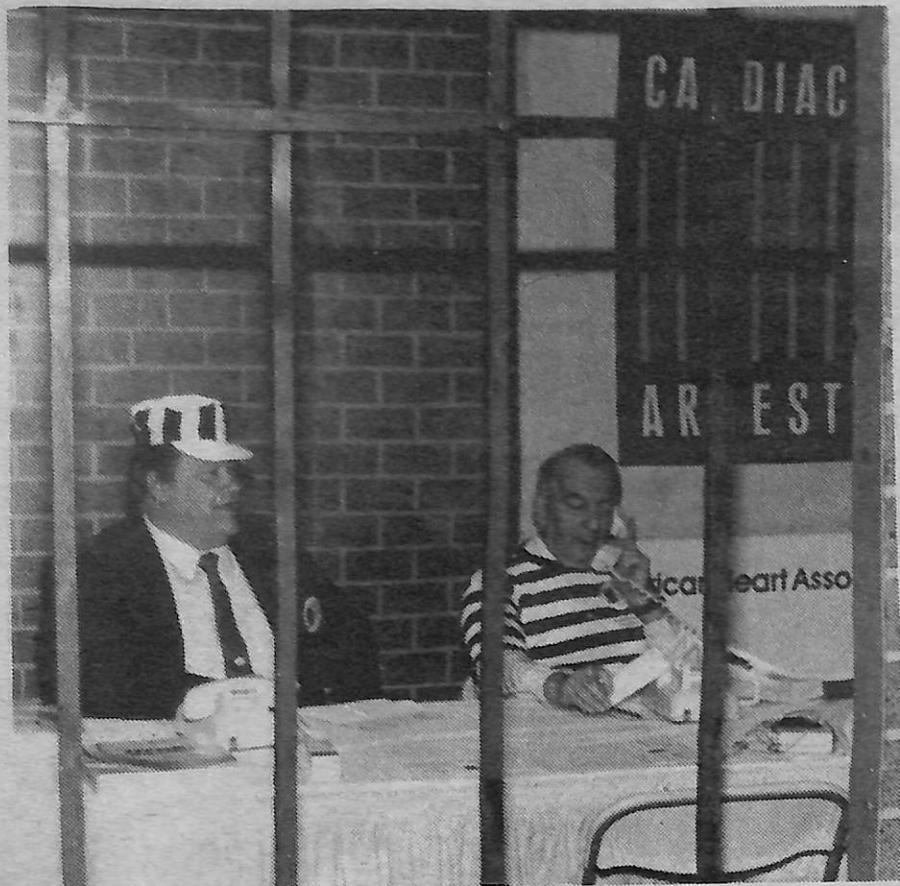
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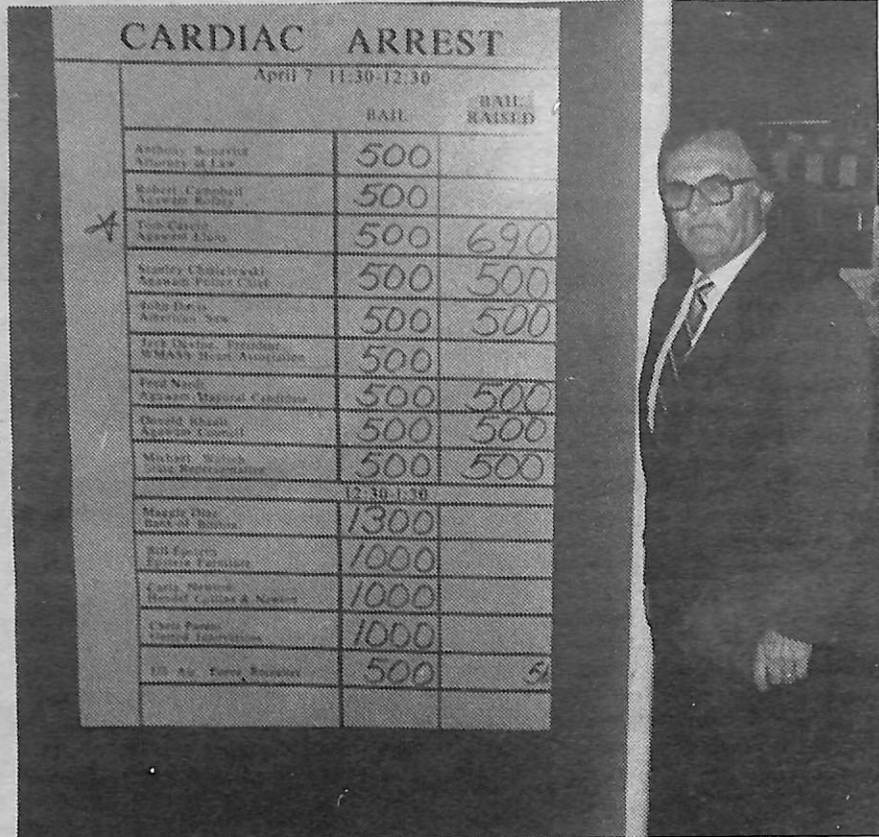
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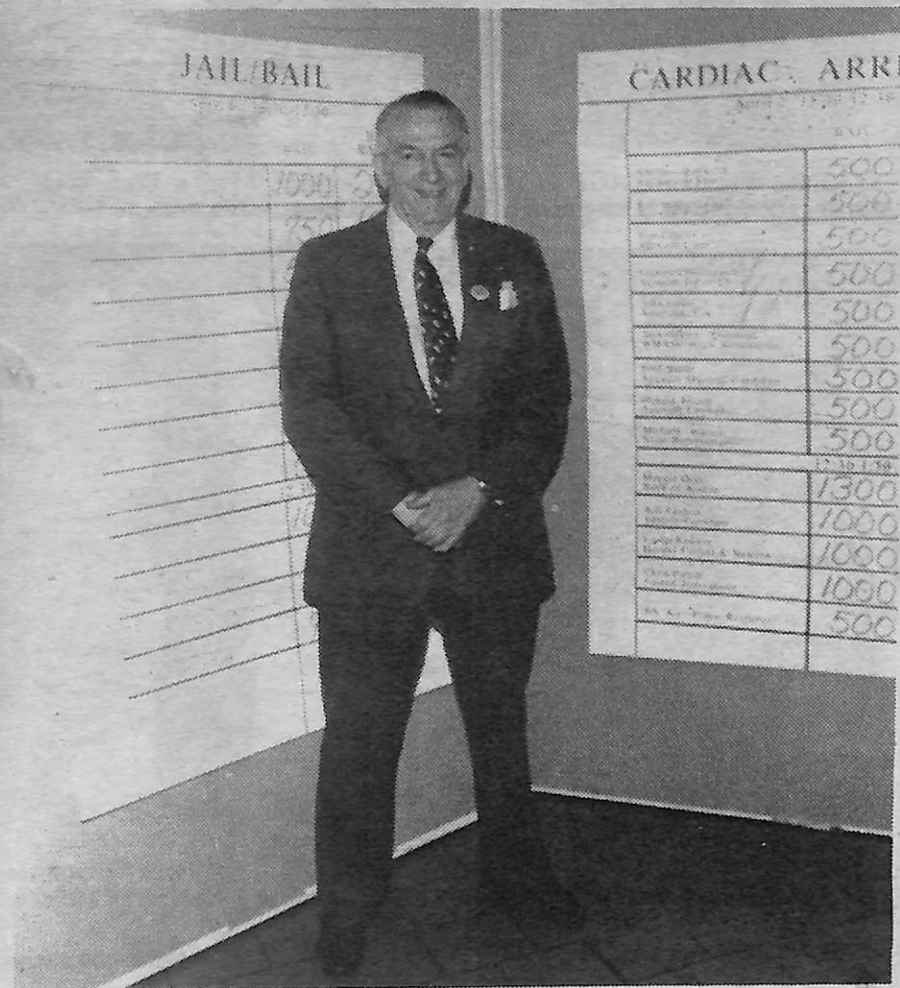


AGAWAM POLICE CHIEF STANLEY J. CHMIELEWSKI (left) and Town Councilor Frederick Nardi (in prison clothes) call friends for pledges so they can get "bailed-out." Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

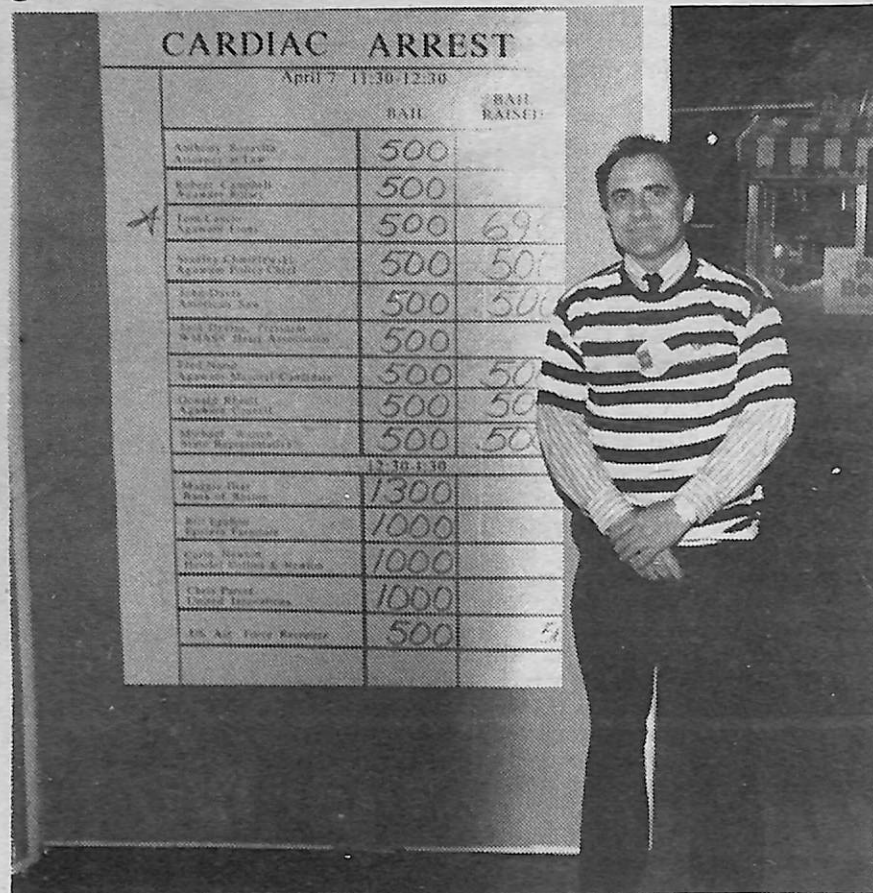
NOTE: The American Heart Association would also like to acknowledge the efforts of State Rep. Michael P. Walsh and Attorney Anthony C. Bonavita, who also participated in this event.



TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT DONALD M. RHEAULT stands by the Pledge Board called "Cardiac Arrest" during the recent "Jail Bail" sponsored by the American Heart Association. Rheault met his pledge goal. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



TOWN COUNCILOR FREDERICK NARDI is all smiles after meeting his goal at the Annual American Heart Association "Jail Bail." Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ALSO MEETING HIS DESIGNATED GOAL for the "Jail Bail" was Lions Club President Thomas Cascio. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Heritage Hall Honors Volunteers At Luncheon



VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR VERA CONWAY of Heritage Hall Nursing Home praises her pool of volunteers at a Recognition Luncheon held at Valle's Steak House in West Springfield. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Family Bus Trip Set By West Springfield Rec Dept.

The May Family-a-Fare bus trip sponsored by the West Springfield Recreation Department will be to Gore Place and Lexington/Concord on Saturday, May 13th.

The day will begin with a tour of the house and grounds of Gore Place, once the home of Christopher Gore, the seventh governor of Massachusetts (1809-10). Lunch will follow at Thackerays Restaurant in Waltham, with the choice of steak, scrod, or chicken for your palate. Then onto Lexington/Concord National Historic Site, to tour the grounds and relive our nation's beginnings.

Departure from West Springfield is scheduled for 7:00 a.m., with arrival back in West Springfield scheduled for 6:00 p.m.

The per person price for this tour, which includes admissions, transportation and lunch, is \$28. Registration for this trip began on April 14th. The Recreation Office is open for registrations Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and is located in the Municipal Office Building, 26 Central Street, West Springfield.

Mass. Citizens For Life To Sell Red Roses May 14th

The Agawam Chapter of the Massachusetts Citizens For Life will have red, silk roses available at many area churches on Mother's Day, May 14th.

The red rose is the national symbol for life.



HAPPY TO HELP-OUT AT HERITAGE HALL, from left - Joan Bonnello, Margaret Ardizoni, Ernestine Book, and Dolores Gatti. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



HONORED FOR VOLUNTEERING AT HERITAGE HALL - Viola Sweeney, Marion Binnenkade, Bea Loiselle, Rachel Foakes, Kay Aldrich, and Marion Haubenreiser. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



A HAPPY LINEUP from the Heritage Hall family, from left - Nancy Edwards, Carol Hess, Karen Wilson, Joann Stack, Kathy Sohay, Fran O'Connell, Kay Babcock, Marlene Turner, Vera Conway, and Margaret Cantin. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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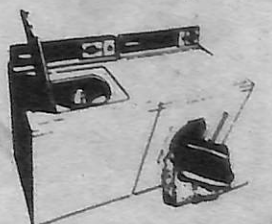
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Entitled "The Bethel Series," the program has been used in over 5,000 congregations throughout the world, and features an overview study in which students will see each part of the Bible as it relates to the whole and the entire Bible as it relates to each part.

The 60 members have enrolled for the first seven-week semester focusing on the Book of Genesis, and will be encouraged to enroll for five successive semesters which continue sequentially through Old and New Testaments. Enrollment has been closed for this first semester, but it is expected that another first semester class will be held in January 1990.

Each semester will be taught by a team of two lay teachers, drawn from a group of 10 teacher-trainees which has been personally trained by the pastor, Reverend Len Cowan, in weekly training sessions over the past two years. Students pay a nominal fee for each semester, and receive written and visual material after each lesson presentation.

Further information about the Bethel Bible Series can be obtained by contacting the church, 786-6133.

Regency Condo Geranium Sale To Benefit Cancer Society

Over 4,000 glorious pots of geraniums will greet you by the poolside of the Regency Condominiums, 340 Regency Park Drive, Agawam, on Sunday, May 21st. The sale will begin at 10:00 a.m., with light refreshments being served.

Each healthy potted bloom is only 99 cents, available in a full range of beautiful colors. At this incredible low price, there will be a limit of 20 flowers per person. Come early for best selection.

All proceeds from this event will benefit the American Cancer Society's Greater Springfield Unit. Come join Stanley Shmichkiss, the event's host, in his fight against cancer.

For further information, contact MaryLou Santos, Regency property manager, 789-3622.

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The David Hoak Family Announces Birth Of Daughter

David & Ann Marie Hoak of Decatur, Georgia, proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Natalie Nicole, on April 19th, at Piedmont Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia.

Natalie weighed 9 pounds, 3 ounces, and was 21 3/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are James & Yvette Valenti of Agawam. Paternal grandparents are George & Ellie Hoak of Atlanta, Georgia.

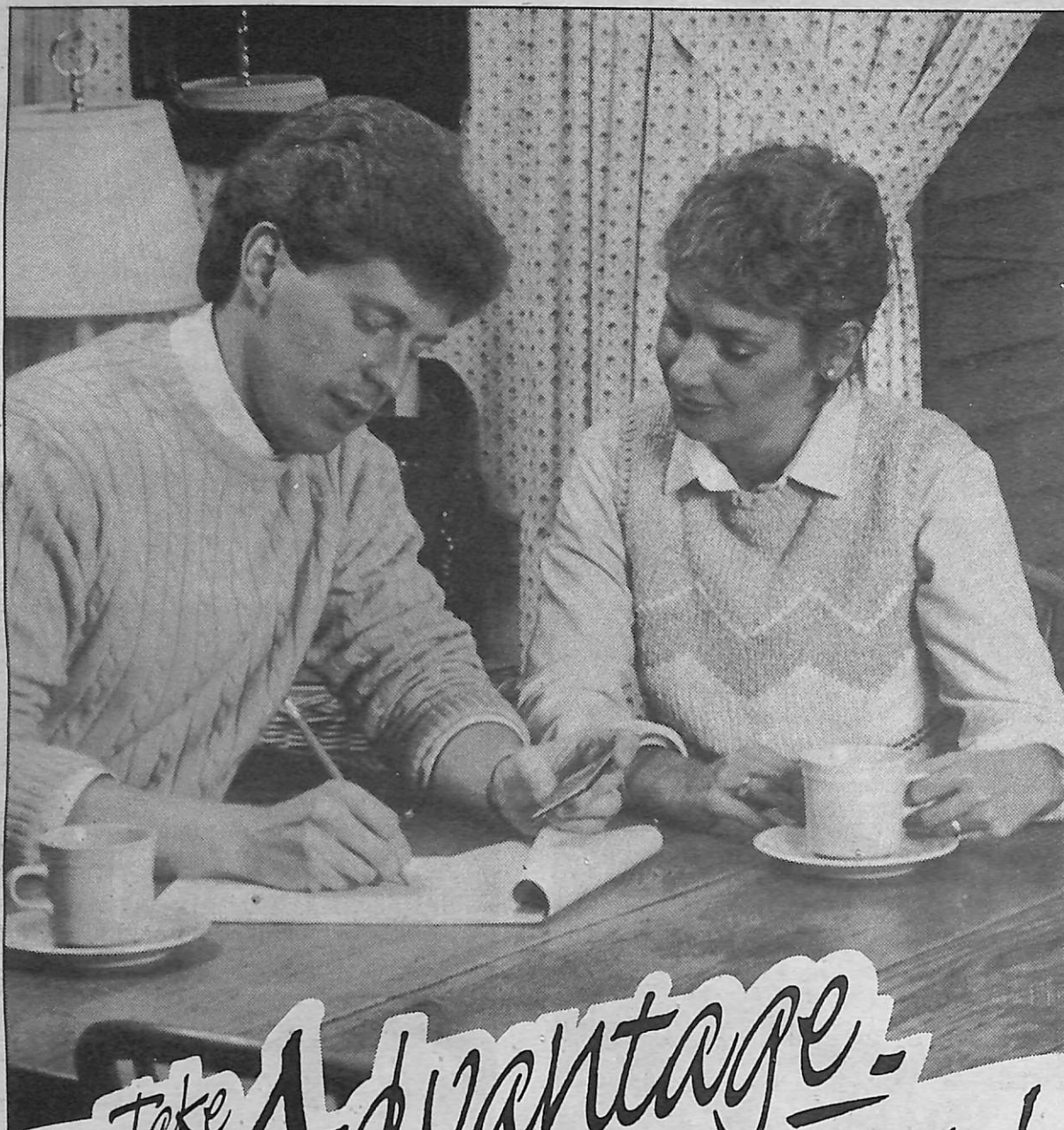
Natalie is the first grandchild for both families.

Polish American Club Bingo Workers Enjoy South Pacific

On Friday evening, April 28th, 33 Polish American Club Bingo workers enjoyed seeing "South Pacific" at The Oaks Inn. In addition to seeing a wonderful show performed by a large cast of local players, they enjoyed a hot buffet.

It was truly an "Enchanted Evening," one of the songs in the musical. Agawam should be proud of staging its first dinner theater show.

The next scheduled attraction is "The Pajama Game" with more to come in the future.



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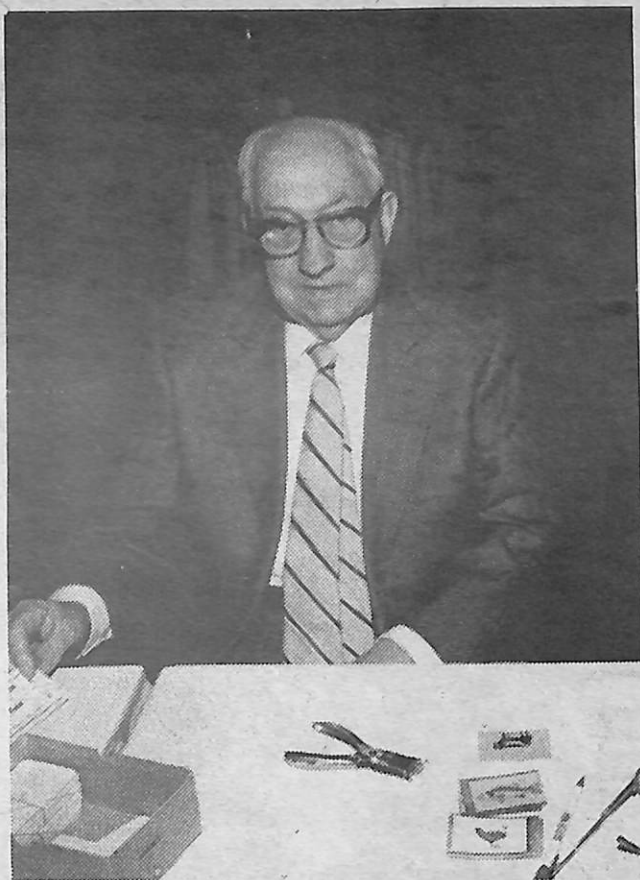
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Agawam Golden Age Chapter II Holds Banquet



PAUL & EVA DEGRANDPRE collect tickets and money at the door at the recent Annual Banquet of the Agawam Golden Age Club, Chapter II, at Shaker Farms Country Club in Westfield. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



OFFICERS OF THE AGAWAM GOLDEN AGE CLUB, Chapter II, back row, from left - Ed Organek, president; Frank Gatti, treasurer; Flory Scorzafana, vice-president; Rosanna Fiorini, recording secretary; Odette Benjamin, chaplain, and Sophie Rinaldi, corresponding secretary. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ABOUT TO ENJOY A WONDERFUL MEAL at the Annual Banquet of the Agawam Golden Age Club, Chapter II, are, from left - Babe & Peg Beltrandi, Louise Faits, and Harry Faits. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please call Jack Devine at his home, 789-0053.

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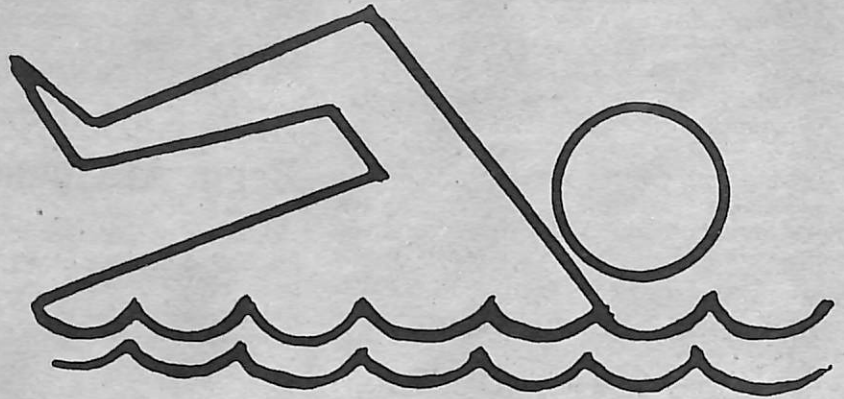
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Robinson State Park Starts National Wildflower Week

The American Wildflower Society has scheduled a full week of events in the Pioneer Valley, celebrating National Wildflower Week from May 7th-13th.

Scheduled events are free and open to the public, with the exception of a Wine and Cheese Reception for the wildflower photography exhibition by Freda Hall of Manhattan, New York. This event, to be held at the Springfield Science Museum, is by invitation only.

The program follows:

Sunday, May 7th—Public Wildflower Walks

Public wildflower walks are scheduled for Robinson State Park in Agawam at 2:00 p.m. A special wildflower walk for the hearing-impaired is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. in the same location. The walks are led by Edward F. Piela, president, American Wildflower Society, who will be assisted by Karl Piela and John Rough. Meet at the parking lot near the swimming area.

Another wildflower walk will take place at the Holyoke Range State Park at 9:30 a.m. It will be led by AWS vice-president, Charlie Spencer. Meet at the Notch Visitors' Center parking lot, Route 116, in South Amherst.

Monday, May 8th—Wildflower Planting Day, Springfield City Hall

The American Wildflower Society will donate and plant 100 white trilliums at 3:30 p.m. The Park Edge Brownie Troop of Springfield will assist in this beautification project. Each year, the Society will repeat this event in some city or town in this area.

Tuesday, May 9th—Slide Lecture—Springfield Science Museum

Slide lecture, "Gardening with Wildflowers," will be presented in the Tolan Wing of the Springfield Science Museum at 7:30 p.m. The program is presented by noted wildflower horticulturist, Joann Knapp, of the Planting Fields Arboretum, Long Island, New York. The slide/lecture will focus on the culture and propagation of wildflowers and hardy ferns. The program will cover the relative ease of cultivation, the necessity of providing certain growing conditions, sources of plant materials, how to start a wildflower garden; plus, will feature some of the more rare specimens available to the experienced gardener.

Wednesday, May 10th—Public Tours of an Urban Wildflower Garden

This event will feature half-hour tours of the wildflower garden of Edward F. Piela, president of American Wildflower Society. This garden, located in Chicopee, is a good example of the extensive variety of wildflowers that can be grown in a small garden. By appointment only. For reservations, call 592-6718.

Thursday, May 11th—Wine and Cheese Reception—Springfield Science Museum

A Wine and Cheese Reception for Wildflower Photography Exhibition by Freda Hall of Manhattan, New York will be held at Springfield Science Museum from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Society members and invited guests only.

Friday, May 12th—Senior Citizens' Wildflower Walk

A Wildflower Walk for Senior Citizens will take place in Robinson State Park in Agawam from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. The walk will be led by American Wildflower Society president, Ed Piela, and vice-president, Charlie Spencer.

Saturday, May 13th—Wildflower Sale—Stanley Park, Westfield

Wildflower Sale will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., rain or shine. A full range of northeastern wildflowers including trilliums, double bloodroot, trailing arbutus, Virginia bluebells, Jack-in-the-pulpit, shooting stars, and approximately 50 other species will be offered. Most are spring bloomers suitable for shady locations. All plants will be potted and labeled. Growing directing will be provided. Most are easy to grow.

The main purpose of National Wildflower Week is to make people more aware, knowledgeable, and appreciative of our natural heritage of wildflowers. The week is sponsored by the American Wildflower Society which is a non-profit, public service organization.

Agawam Junior Women's Club To Collect Items For Emigres

The Agawam Junior Women's Club and West Springfield Parish Association are sponsoring a drive for usable furniture, household items, and bedding to assist recent Russian emigres who are living in the area.

Donated items can be brought to Valley Community Church (Wells Bingo Hall), 152 South Westfield Street, Agawam, Saturday, May 13th, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Items will be unloaded for you, with assistance from the Russian emigres.

To make arrangements for pick-up of donated furniture on May 13th, call Eileen, 789-2818, or Ronda, 786-1198, prior to May 13th.

Bible Series Set To Begin At Chandra's Place

A series of Bible Services is being held at Chandra's Place, 916 Suffield Street, Agawam, on Monday evenings, at 7:30 p.m., beginning May 15th. All are welcome.

Airman Timothy J. Zambelli Graduates Basic Training

Air National Guard Airman Timothy J. Zambelli, son of Nancy A. Zambelli of 32 Marlene Drive, Feeding Hills, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs, and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the community college of the Air Force.

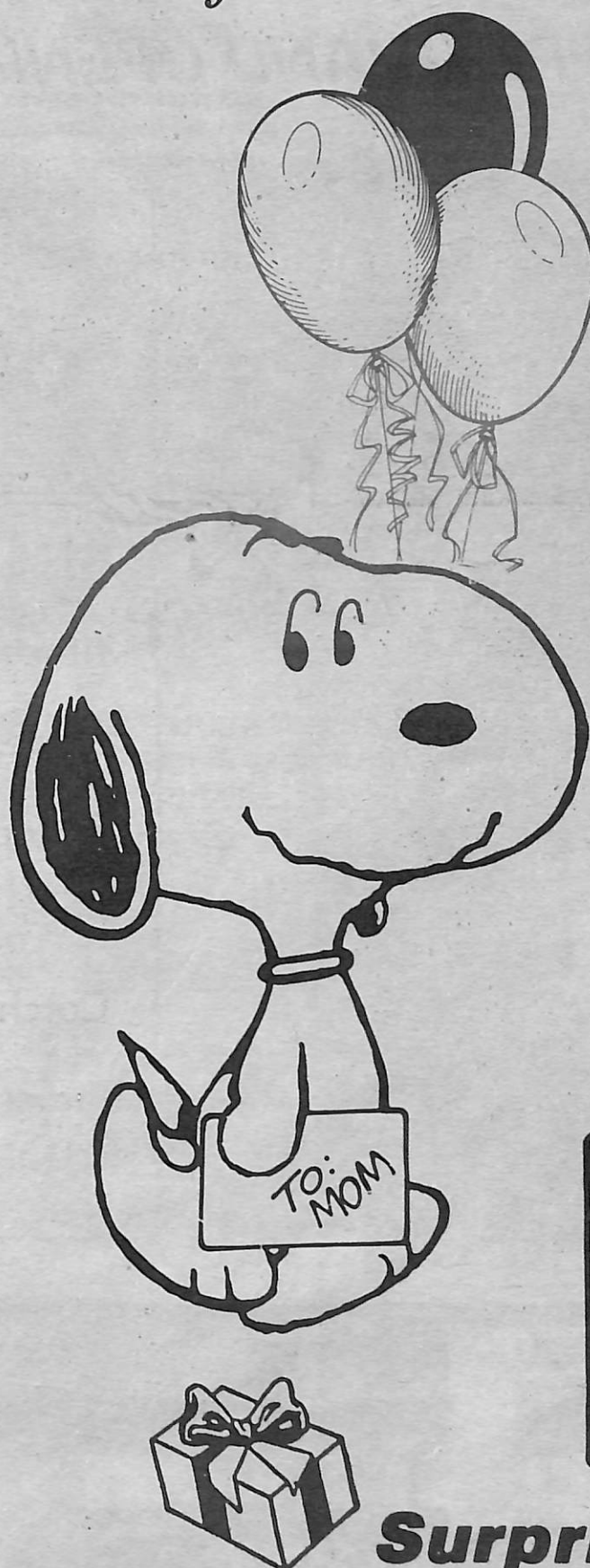
He is a 1986 graduate of Agawam High School.

Cub Scout Pack 75 Sets Pancake Breakfast May 21st

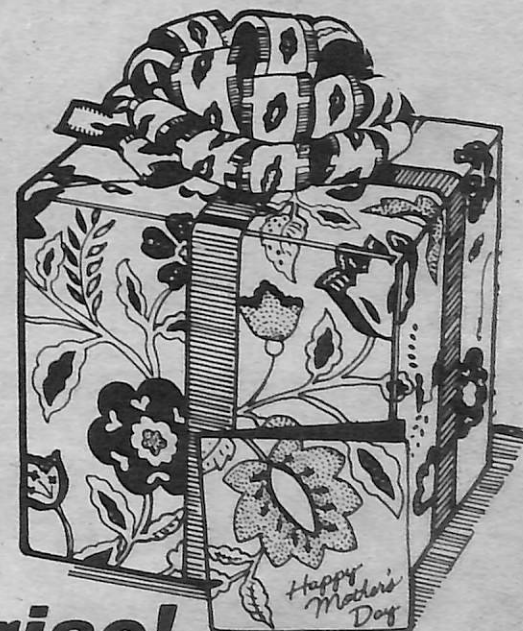
Cub Scout Pack 75 will sponsor a Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, May 21st, from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, at Springfield Turnverein, 176 Garden Street, Agawam.

Donation for adults is \$3, while children six years and under is \$1.75.

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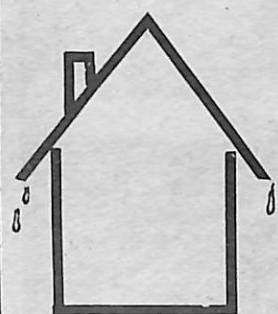
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Leonard House Trustees Hold Giant Tag Sale



TRUSTEES OF THE CAPTAIN CHARLES LEONARD HOUSE held a benefit Tag Sale on Saturday, April 29th, at the historic home in Agawam Center. Supervising the jewelry table are, from left - Elaine Smith, Shirley Goss (Trustee), and Ruth Silk. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LEONARD HOUSE TRUSTEES Marilyn Curry (left) and Jeanne Webster (center) were organizing a bake sale at the Annual Tag Sale at the Captain Charles Leonard House last Saturday. Assisting is Marilyn Beaudreau. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

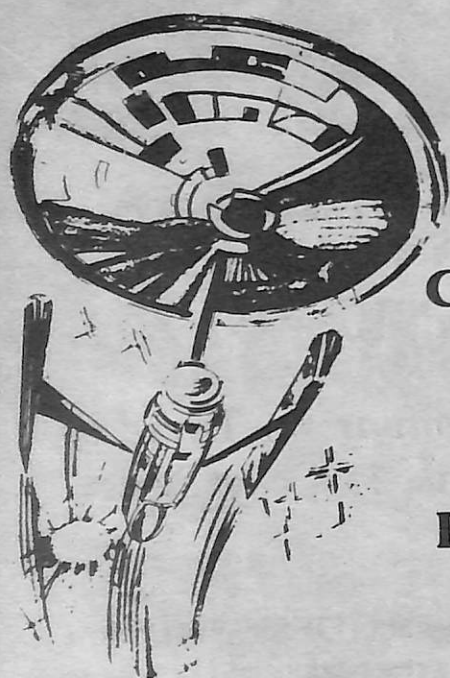
Edward & Ellen LaMagdelaine Announce Birth Of Son

Edward & Ellen LaMagdelaine announce the birth of their son, Shawn Edmond, born April 13th at Wesson Women's Hospital in Springfield.

Shawn weighed 7 pounds, 3½ ounces.

His grandparents are Manning & Eleanor Case of Monroe Street, Agawam, and Romeo & Rita LaMagdelaine of Congress Avenue, Holyoke.

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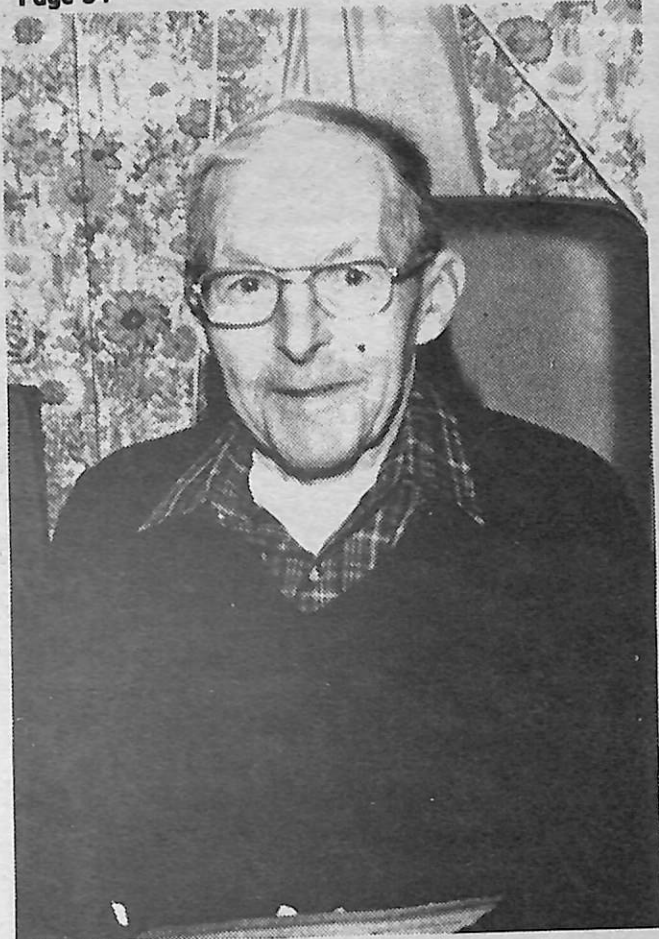
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RESIDENT OF THE WEEK
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SUSAN MAIOLO, a volunteer at Heritage Hall Nursing Home, supervises Bingo for the residents last week.

Heritage Hall Events & Weekly Activities

Intergenerational Games

At a recent poll between Latch Key children and the residents of Heritage Hall-South, the most popular game was Bingo.

The children enjoy the challenge of the adults and the competition. The residents are allowed up to three cards, and the stakes can be very high. Prizes are given out periodically. The children are very enthusiastic and assist the residents.

Latch Key children and the residents enjoy other

games such as balloon volleyball, bowling, shuffleboard, trivia. Thank-you Latch Key children for your help!

RESIDENT OF THE WEEK Howard Callahan

Heritage Hall's "Resident of the Week" is Howard Callahan. Born in Pittsfield, Howard was educated in the local school system. In 1934 he met and married Mary Keenan, and they will be married 55 years in October. During World War II, Howard was stationed in

the Aleutian Islands in Alaska. He worked during his years as an engineer for various companies.

His hobbies were judo, bicycling, cross country skiing, and white water rafting. Howard was 75 years-old—the oldest man to ever do this on the Dead River, with his daughter, son-in-law and two grandchildren, Larry and Jay.

Heritage Hall is glad that Howard has chosen to be part of its community.

Rosary Altar To Install New Officers May 9

Members of the Rosary Altar Society of Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, will gather at the church on Tuesday, May 9th, for installation of officers for the 1989-99 season. New members will be installed at this time also.

Installed as president will be Julia Zajchowski; 1st Vice-President, Mary Spinelli; 2nd Vice-President, Lee Dion; Secretary, Marilyn Morassi; Treasurer, Jackie Jendza. Retiring officers are Nancy Doucette and Jane Avis. Mass will also be celebrated by the pastor and spiritual director, Father David Joyce.

Following the Mass, members and their guests will attend a banquet at Jackson's on River Road, Agawam. Mary Amellin and Mary Ann Govoni are in charge of the evening.

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So what can you do about the law of gravity? You'll never change the law of gravity so why not make use of another law. The power of a fluid to exert an upward force on a body placed in it is defined as buoyancy. The stress and strain to the joints of the body during exercise in water are greatly reduced by this characteristic of water. It is no wonder that so many doctors of chiropractic recommend a water exercise program as part of a recovery process in patients with back problems.

What a wonderful, natural way to combat osteoporosis. Swim regularly!! This applies to people of all ages. What? You can't swim? That's OK, use the shallow end of the pool and do your aerobic workout standing in waste-deep water! What a workout, and fun too!

When you have a spinal problem, whether the neck, midback, or lowback is involved, it is wise to keep one thing in mind before you begin your water exercise program. Spine problems often become worse with exercise! Be sure your spinal column is structurally sound before starting. Have a doctor of chiropractic check your spine if you have problems.

If symptoms arise following exercise, a chiropractic examination is a must.

Once the spine is properly aligned, my advice is to find a place to swim and then do so on a regular basis. You can't beat this activity for over-all muscle conditioning especially those that surround and support your spine.

Red Cross Has Many CPR Courses Listed

The following American Red Cross courses are scheduled for May. Participants must pre-register and pre-pay either by mail or by stopping in at the Health Services Department of the Red Cross, 235 Chestnut Street, during business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. All courses will be held at the Red Cross building at 235 Chestnut Street.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)/Basic Life Support—Professional Rescuers, \$42, May 2nd, 4th, and 11th (Tuesday and Thursday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.; May 22nd, 24th, and 31st (Monday and Wednesday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

For lifeguards, ski patrol, police, firefighters, medical personnel, and those planning to become CPR instructors. Content includes emergency action principles, recognition and prevention of heart attack, rescue breathing, first aid for choking, CPR skills for single and team rescues, and pocket mask skills. Procedures for adult, child, and infant victims will be practiced. A \$12 discount will be given to students who bring their own approved pocket mask.

Community CPR, \$25, May 2nd and 4th (Tuesday and Thursday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.; May 22nd and 24th (Monday and Wednesday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Designed for the lay rescuer, this course covers basic CPR skills for adults, children, and infants.

Adult CPR, \$20, May 16th (Tuesday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Focusing on adult victims, this includes emergency action principles, rescue breathing, first aid for choking, and single rescuer CPR skills. Please pick-up textbook prior to class date.

Infant/Child CPR, \$20, May 10th and 31st (Wednesday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Focusing on infant and child victims, this includes: emergency action principles, rescue breathing, first aid for choking, and single-rescuer CPR skills.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Review/Basic Life Support—Professional Rescuers, \$30 (includes a Basic Life Support Workbook), May 3rd and 24th (Wednesday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.; May 23rd and 30th (Tuesday), 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.; May 19th and 26th (Friday), 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Prerequisite: Bring a current CPR certificate to the class. Pick-up and review textbooks prior to class for written and skills tests. A written and skills exam will be given. A \$12 discount will be given to students who bring their own approved pocket mask.

Journey For Sight Tag Sale Set By Agawam Lioness

On Saturday, May 13th, the Agawam Lioness will sponsor a "Journey For Sight" Tag Sale at Sacred Heart Parish Center, Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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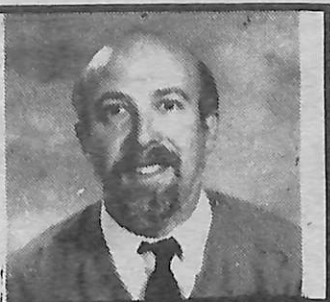
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My organization can really use your quote, "He/she who laughs, tends to last." Your use of funny stories/jokes provided me with a most pleasurable drive to work. I will be ordering your tape, "Humor Gets Results" soon. Keep up the good work and interesting discussions.

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COMMENT: Humor used to be thought as somewhat "subversive" to use in the business setting. It is now a highly prized skill that can be practiced and acquired. Humor can really help "balance" tense situations, provide a less threatening form of leadership/communication and tends to place people on "even levels"—not always the usual boss-employee relationship. We are also discovering that the physical benefits of humor/laughter can be as valuable as the benefits of a solid exercise program.

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LOCAL YOUNGSTERS observe a reproduction of a lower jaw at the Springfield Science Museum. The exhibit is a custom-built original.

Dental Health Exhibit On Display at Museum

A new permanent exhibit on dental health is now open at the Springfield Science Museum. The large reproduction of a lower jaw shows the internal structure of the teeth and promotes proper dental care. Push button lighting and labels identify each oversized tooth, and wall charts and posters encourage good health habits.

Designed by Dr. Lynne Bucalo and Maria DeAngelis, the exhibit is a custom-built original. Glen Ives, Science Museum Director, commented, "This is not a mail-order exhibit. Each tooth was hand-sculpted to our specifications. In fact the jaw is so unusual that we're investigating the possibility of a copyright."

The exhibit will provide the foundation for new

museum programs on dental health for school groups and public audiences. Funded by the Valley District Dental Women, the Valley District Dental Society, and the Massachusetts Dental Society, the exhibit is located in the Exploration Center on the lower level of the museum.

The Science Museum is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association, a private, non-profit organization. The museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday from 12:00 noon until 5:00 p.m. Admission is free. For information, call the museum, 733-1194.

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The Wheels Begin To Turn

The town history tells us that in 1966 "Commemoration ceremonies were held in Watertown, Massachusetts, New York City and in Washington, D.C.," commemorating the spirit of Anne Sullivan of Feeding Hills.

Not long after, the Reverend John Tyler of St. David's Church contacted us in regard to establishing some form of tribute to the famed teacher of Helen Keller.

Without doubt, this earlier recognition to Annie had prompted the Reverend Tyler to have Annie's native town and village pay equal tribute to the woman who had become internationally acclaimed for her efforts in bringing Helen Keller from the depths of darkness into the glowing light of intellectual accomplishment.

Special Grange Card Parties Slated For Month Of May

As has been the custom in recent years, the Grange card parties in May have benefitted the Women's Activities projects. These activities promote improvement of skills in all sorts of creative handwork through national contests. Non-Grange members are welcome to enter the contests. Also, our women, as usual, respond to many requests for contributions to several worthy causes.

In 1974 the combined efforts of the Agawam Lions Club and the Agawam Historical Association proved successful in erecting an elaborate granite marker with a mounted bronze plaque both in braille and regular lettering denoting a proper tribute to Anne Sullivan. The marker is suitably located on the Parade Ground at the intersection of South Westfield Street and Southwick Street.

Then again, Marilyn Curry, in the company of Jean Welt Taylor and former State Representative Edward Connelly, witnessed Governor Michael Dukakis' official proclamation designating October 17th-23rd, 1976, as "Anne Sullivan Week in Massachusetts." This fired a two-day local celebration during which time an appropriate historical site marker was put in place by the state.

Festivities extended throughout the two-day celebration when, in June 1980, a final tribute was paid Anne Sullivan with the presentation of an Anne Sullivan commemorative stamp presented locally by Assistant Postmaster General Eugene Hagburg. At last, it would seem, both town and village had paid a long overdue recognition to their native daughter.

Also, it should be noted that a small granite marker was placed on the site of Anne Sullivan's birthplace, situated on South Westfield Street, at the entrance-drive leading up to the Valley Community Church. This was done by the Agawam Lions Club.

So it would appear that local recognition finally came to the young Irish native of Feeding Hills some 100 years after she had made her presence known to this quiet rural village of Yankee farmers.

Now, 123 years after her birth and some 53 years after her death, the ultimate tribute will be made. Forevermore, every time a student, resident, visitor, or the motoring public pass by Route 57 at the junction of South Westfield Street (Route 187), a memorial will remind them—Anne Sullivan was born here!

The working committee is Elizabeth & Alexander Sosnowich, who will conduct the parties on alternate Thursdays, May 11th and 25th, starting promptly at 7:30 p.m. Your support by attendance will be appreciated, and you'll enjoy the evening, extra prizes, and refreshments.

Long Meddowe Days Coming Next Month

The Longmeadow Historical Society will sponsor the 10th Annual Long Meddowe Days on Saturday, May 20th, and Sunday, May 21st, on the Town Green located on Route 5. Activities will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on Saturday, and 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., on Sunday. Admission is free.

Both days are filled with entertainment and activities. Saturday begins with the "Our Town" parade down Longmeadow Street to the Green. At 11:00 a.m., children from the area can enter their pets in the "Best Dressed Pet" contest. Everyone will be entertained by the lyrics of Roger Tiknell, a folksinger, and Dennis Dolan, a ventriloquist, juggler, and musician. The Green will be alive with music on Sunday as the school bands and choruses perform throughout the day. The Long Meddowe Days committee people are pleased to have this opportunity to showcase our youth.

More than 100 craft people and artists from all over New England will offer a wide variety of merchandise for sale. Artists will exhibit such media as ink drawings, etchings, oils, acrylics, and watercolors. Cash prizes will be awarded to the outstanding artist in each medium. The craft show will include wreaths, baskets, flags, stained glass, jewelry, and much more. There will be craft demonstrations throughout the weekend. There will be some nationally recognized artisans exhibiting their work.

Children attending Long Meddowe Days will enjoy animal rides, a petting zoo, a hay ride, and hay jump, as well as the live entertainment.

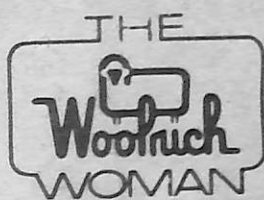
Guided tours of Longmeadow's colonial architecture and the Historical Society's vast collection of artifacts in the Storrs House will be offered. The town cemetery may also be visited by guided tour.

Refreshments will be available throughout both days. The Lion's Club offers a pancake breakfast between 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, and 8:00 to 12:00 noon on Sunday.

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Agawam Senior Center MAY Calendar Of Events

May 5th, Friday: 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., Diabetic Screening by appointment.

May 8th, Monday: 12:30 p.m., "Illustrated Philosophy," second session, with Jerome Radin.

May 16th, Tuesday: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., S.H.I.N.E., "Serving Health Information Needs Of Elders," with Mr. Drumm, by appointment.

May 18th, Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Foot Nurses, by appointment.

May 23rd, Tuesday: 12:30 p.m., special program with Ray Provost, pharmacist (CVS) "Medical Awareness."

May 29th, Monday: Memorial Day observed, Senior Center closed.

May 31st, Wednesday: 9:00 a.m., Mercy Hospital Hearing Van, by appointment.

Please Note: A very special program will be presented with the "Back Yard" Gardener in Mind. Through the courtesy of the Mass. Extension Service, A "Master Gardener" will visit at 12:30 p.m., on either May 22nd or 25th. Keep in touch so you won't miss it. Topic - "Organic Gardening" and time to ask questions about your gardening problems.

Free Eye Screening for seniors available through the office of Dr. James S. Rosenthal, M.D., P.C., who recently presented a most informative program on eye disorders and the elderly.

You may call the Senior Center for information, or call direct, 736-7900 for your appointment.

Birthday Recognition Day at the Senior Center

Birthdays celebrated for April were **Ralph Knowlton, Nellie Robinson, Flora Breton, Kay Balas, Helen Blanchard, and Bruno Vignato.** Congratulations to all and a happy, healthy birthday year.

We celebrate birthdays on the first Tuesday of each month. Why not let us know about yours. Advance notice is necessary.

From "Friends of the Agawam Senior Center"

"Friends" would like to acknowledge the following new and renewed memberships for

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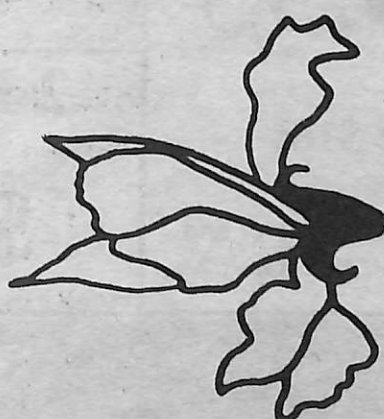
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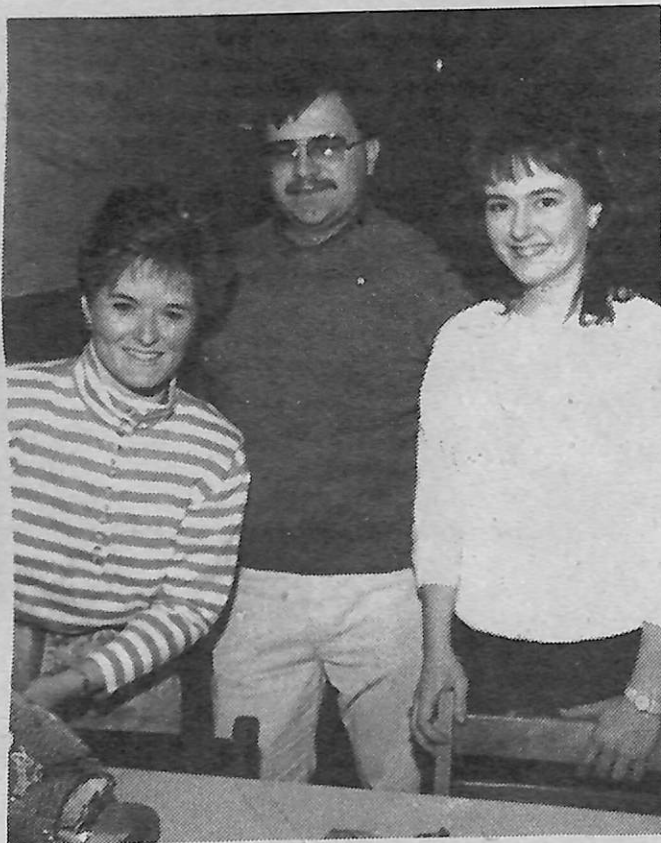
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THE CANDLE LIGHTERS "Common Bond" is a support group for families in Western Mass. who have children with cancer. Funds raised are administered by one local group and go directly to the families who need help. Pictured above are Candle Lighters members Jim Vigliano, Walt Richter, and Jim McNamee at a Benefit Oldies Dance held in West Springfield at the Dante Club on April 22nd.

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CANDLE LIGHTERS MEMBERS pictured at the April 22nd Benefit Oldies Dance are, from left - Linda Vigliano, Gina Richter, Anita McNamee, Don DelBuono, Michelle Battista, Dom Battista, and Kelly McNamee. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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Up-date on the latest expenditure from Friends:

If you play Bingo on Saturday nights at the Senior Center, or if you have attended any function lately, you can't help but notice the big change and improvement in hearing the "crisp" quality of the sound throughout the Senior Center. The high quality of sound came about through "Friends" by hiring top professionals to analyze the problem and correct it. In addition, Friends purchased new microphones and a set of three wireless microphones with transmitter. The project cost approximately \$4,000. "Friends" could not undertake such large projects if it were not for memberships, fundraisers, and the support from you, and we thank-you for making it possible.

Church Of Good Shepherd Sets Rummage Sale May 20

The Church of the Good Shepherd (Episcopal) is looking for donated new and used items for its Annual Rummage Sale, scheduled for May 20th.

To arrange to donate items or for assistance, call the church weekdays between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., 734-1976, or Hal Jenkinson, 736-5953.

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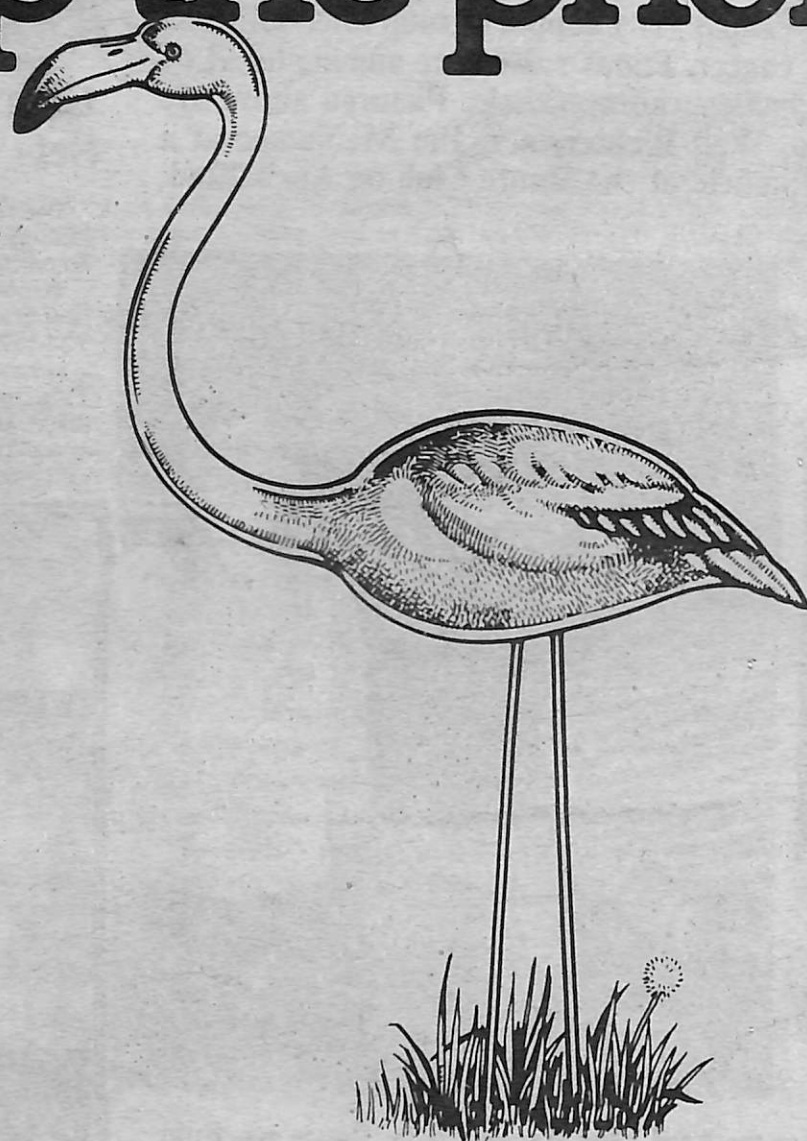
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Fruited California Chicken Scallops

2 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 cloves garlic, minced
4 halves chicken breasts, skinned, boned and cut into chunks
½ pound mushrooms, halved
1 teaspoon dried tarragon
½ teaspoon seasoned salt
1 cup heavy cream
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
2 tablespoons Dijon Mustard
1 cup Blue Ribbon Calimyrna or Mission Figs, halved
½ cup slivered green onions

Melt butter in 10-inch skillet. Stir in garlic. Add chicken, mushrooms, tarragon and seasoned salt. Cook until golden, about 5 minutes. Combine cream, flour, and mustard. Stir into skillet along with figs. Cook until thickened, about 2 minutes. Sprinkle with green onions. Makes 4 servings.

Slim Sauces

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2 tablespoons flour
1/8 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon white pepper
¾ cup undiluted Carnation evaporated lowfat milk
½ cup water

Agawam PAC To Host Dr. Richard Kleiner

The Agawam Parents Advisory Council (PAC) will meet Wednesday, May 10th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Agawam Junior High School.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Richard Kleiner, a licensed psychologist. Dr. Kleiner has been hired by the Agawam Public School Department of Special Services to do a service management audit. He has interviewed many teachers and parents and will discuss his findings.

The PAC strongly urges you to attend this meeting. Your presence is needed. There will be a discussion on the budget cuts in special education, and possible strategies in dealing with the budget cuts. You should be concerned about your child's education. This is their future. Do attend!

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Caper Sauce:

Prepare sauce, adding ½ teaspoon onion powder and 2 tablespoons chopped, well-drained capers with milk and water. Complete as recipe directs. Serve warm or cold.

Dill Sauce:

Prepare sauce, increasing salt to ½ teaspoon and adding 1 minced garlic clove, ½ teaspoon dill weed, and 1/8 teaspoon dry mustard with milk and water. Complete as recipe directs. Serve warm or cold.

Mustard Tarragon Sauce

Prepare sauce, increasing salt to ½ teaspoon and adding ¼ teaspoon crushed tarragon leaves with milk and water. Complete as recipe directs. Cool slightly. Stir in 1 tablespoon prepared mustard. Serve warm or cold.

Brussels Sprouts Slaw

You don't have to cook brussels sprouts. Serve this decidedly different slaw with charcoal broiled steaks or seafood.

1 quart fresh California brussels sprouts
1¼ cups grated carrots
2 tablespoons chopped canned pimiento
2 tablespoons vinegar
1 teaspoon sugar
½ cup lite mayonnaise
½ teaspoon onion salt
¼ teaspoon pepper

Combine shredded or chopped brussels sprouts, carrots, and pimiento; toss lightly. Combine remaining ingredients; mix well. Combine brussels sprout mixture and mayonnaise mixture; mix well. Chill. Serve with charcoal broiled steaks or seafood.

Two Way Kohlrabi

Kohlrabi is sold in bunches, like beets are with the leaves remaining on. The flavor, which is lighter and more delicate than a turnip, is vaguely reminiscent of broccoli with a hint of radish and cucumber. The spicy tinge makes it a wonderful addition to garden salads and to other vegetable dishes, and it can be grated into slaw to add flavor.

In selecting Kohlrabi, go with the smaller bulbs, as they are more flavorful and will be more tender than the larger ones which may be woody. The leaves, which taste something like Swiss Chard or Kale, can be added to soups or cooked like spinach.

To prepare Kohlrabi, cut off a top slice, remove any stem on the base, peel bulb removing any eyes and cook as you would potatoes or turnips. Kohlrabis are

often steamed, which holds the flavor and preserves the nutrients.

There are only 40 calories per cup of Kohlrabi. It has a high fiber content, and is an excellent source of Vitamin C and potassium.

50-Year Members Feted



CELEBRATING THEIR 50th Anniversary as members of Beta Sigma Phi at a **Founders' Day** in Chicopee are **Mabel J. Fitzgerald** and **Georgia R. Clark**. **Mrs. Fitzgerald** is an Agawam resident. Both are charter members of the organization, which has been serving the Greater Springfield area since 1939. Advertiser News photo by

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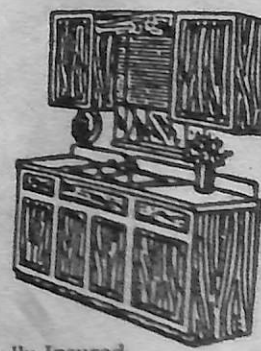
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PHILM REVIEW

by Phil Benoit
Entertainment Editor

—Disorganized Crime: 2½ STARS

An amiable comedy caper wherein a notorious bank robber (Corbin Bernsen) from New Jersey sets out to mobilize a quartet of fellow criminals (Ruben Blades, Fred Gwynne, Lou Diamond Phillips, and William Russ) so that the five of them can pull off a high-stakes high at a bank in rural Montana.

But, when this law-breaking mastermind is apprehended by a pair of dimwitted detectives (Ed O'Neill and Daniel Roebuck) from his home state before things get under way, the four remaining felons are forced to fend for themselves and do their best to carry out their organizer's original plan.

Disorganized Crime was written and directed by Jim Kouf, a screenwriter who penned the popular Richard Dreyfuss-Emilio Estevez comedy-drama *Stakeout* and who, with this new film, is making his directorial debut. Unfortunately, his first-time efforts behind the camera are not as impressive as they could have been.

Kouf clearly intended this picture to be a laid-back and easygoing romp, yet the plot's proceedings move along at such a laid-back and easygoing pace that the entire movie threatens to stall once and for all at a number of points in the story.

Still, in spite of its self-damaging sluggishness, *Disorganized Crime* has several redeeming qualities which make it a bit more than marginally worthwhile. On the whole, the flick provides some genuinely enjoyable and humorously ironic merriment through its depiction of what befalls equally blundering cops and robbers in a bucolic environment that's far removed from their big-city haunts.

What's more, the performances are, for the most part, first-rate, especially those by Blades (*The Milagro Beanfield War*) as the most hotheaded of the bank robbers; Gwynne (TV's *The Munsters*) as the crusty veteran of this gang of criminals; and O'Neill (TV's *Married... With Children*) in the part of the more stupid of the two aforementioned detectives from New Jersey.

Disorganized Crime is definitely not the best film that's currently playing at our theaters, but if you think that it might be your cup of tea, then chances are you'll come away from it feeling satisfied and sufficiently

entertained.

—Red Scorpion: 0 STARS

This nonsensical and deplorably dull shoot-'em-up adventure stars the physically formidable yet dramatically untalented Dolph Lundgren as a Soviet super-soldier who rebels against his Communist superiors after he is befriended by an oppressed African tribe and becomes an honorary blood-brother.

Red Scorpion is ridiculous rubbish which not only brings to mind Sylvester Stallone's slightly superior *Rambo* dramas, but also that laughably bad jungle epic *Sheena* featuring that quintessential non-actress, Tanya Roberts. In the meantime, Lundgren himself can be regarded as a non-actor in his own right, and if you happened to see how lousy he was in his last cinematic outing (the hokey space opera *Masters of the Universe*), then you'll know what to expect from him in *Red Scorpion*.

However, to save some hard-earned money and all-too-precious leisure time, take my word for it and spare yourself the experience of seeing Lundgren's latest work. After all, I have to see dreck like this because it's part of my job as a film reviewer; you, on the other hand, can be spared from such a mind-numbing time at the movies.

—Say Anything: 3 STARS

Written and directed by Cameron Crowe (*Fast Times at Ridgemont High*), this fine, teen-oriented comedy-drama deals with an average "nice guy" (John Cusack) who tries his hardest to win the affection of a beautiful and brainy girl (Lone Skye), much to the displeasure of her overbearing and status-seeking father (John Mahoney).

Though its storyline is threadbare and a bit slight in terms of its overall dramatic structure, *Say Anything* is a charming little picture which uses insightful humor and earnest emotion to faithfully examine the ups and downs of adolescent romance, the power of peer pressure, and the oftentimes turbulent relationships between parents and their teenage children.

Additionally, the performances in this movie are superb and more than succinctly convey its thoughtful and easy-to-relate-to themes. Cusack (*Eight Men Out*), who is undoubtedly one of today's most proficient and engaging young actors, portrays with perfection an "everyman" kind of individual who takes pride in his down-to-earth qualities and is completely honest when it comes to expressing his innermost feelings, thoughts, and future ambitions.

At the same time, Skye (*River's Edge*) is quite eloquent as a surprisingly insecure girl who believes that her striking intellect and physical qualities have unwittingly cause others to regard her as an unapproachable snob. And, in the role of her overprotective dad, Mahoney (*Betrayed*) is thoroughly memorable by conveying the well-meaning but all-too-human persona of

a man whose undying love and adoration for his maturing daughter have led him to make some most serious and irreversible mistakes.

—See You in the Morning: 3½ STARS

An emotionally stirring blend of romance, comedy, and drama which centers primarily on the early days in the marriage between a divorced psychiatrist (Jeff Bridges) and a widowed photographer (Alice Krige), and how their new life together affects their respective offspring.

See You in the Morning is essentially a glossy soap opera which is replete with a wide array of conflicts and crises that could last for a month on any daytime television serial. However, writer-director Alan J. Pakula (*Sophie's Choice*) skillfully takes the film's somewhat superficial subject matter and offsets its limitations by infusing it with much sincere feeling and warm humor.

Consequently, by turns moving and amusing, this motion picture is successful in being able to touch us on a number of emotional levels, and ultimately comes off as a more notable production than its story material initially warranted.

With regard to the acting, *See You in the Morning* boasts solid portrayals by a large number of its cast members. As for the supporting performances, Linda Lavin (TV's *Alice*) is quite droll as a long-time friend to both Bridges and Krige's characters; Farrah Fawcett (*Extremities*) makes the most of her small role as Bridges' ever-melancholy ex-wife; veteran character actress Frances Sternhagen (*Bright Lights, Big City*) is delightfully quick-witted as Fawcett's frail and aged mother; and Drew Barrymore (*E.T. - the Extra-Terrestrial*) and Lukas Haas (*Witness*) are precociously appealing as Krige's two children.

Meanwhile, the finest on-screen work in this movie is turned in by the always-dependable Bridges (*Tucker: The Man and His Dream*) and Krige (*Ghost Story*), a lovely British actress who's not particularly well-known by the American filmgoing public.

Depicting vulnerable human beings who are very anxious to make each other feel happy and secure, Bridges and Krige credibly and poignantly project the tumultuous temperaments of a man and woman who are understandably nervous about being married for a second time, as well as the apprehension which comes with establishing sound and fruitful relationships with newly-acquired stepchildren.

—She's Out of Control: 2 STARS

A mildly entertaining farce with Tony Danza as a father who undergoes much anguish when his 15 year-old daughter (newcomer Ami Dolenz) stops being an awkward, bespectacled wallflower and—via makeup, new clothes, and contact lenses—transforms herself into the sexiest and most sought after girl in the area.

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South Pacific Generally Entertaining At The Oaks

by Phil Benoit
Advertiser News Entertainment Editor

For those playgoers who relish the combined epicurean and dramatic experience that entails a "dinner theater," there is now another venue to try out. Stage Door Productions, a newly-formed group, is making its debut at the Oaks Banquet Hall, 1070 Suffield Street, Agawam, with a generally entertaining production of the classic musical *South Pacific*.

The production, which ran last Thursday and Friday, has two more performances scheduled for Thursday, May 4th, and Sunday, May 14th (Mother's Day). The May 4th performance is an evening show at 8:00 p.m., with a hot buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m.; and, the final performance on May 14th is a matinee at 2:00 p.m., with the buffet starting at 12:30 p.m..

South Pacific, by the highly renowned team of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein, is concerned primarily with telling an enchanting World War II-era love story which involves two of the most opposite people to have ever been attracted to each other, Emile de Becque (Agawam's John Stacy, Jr., the show's producer) and Nellie Forbush (Jane Follett).

A middle-aged man who left his native France many years earlier after killing another man, Emile has become an affluent plantation owner on an island in the South Pacific. Meanwhile, Nellie is a young woman who hails from Little Rock, Arkansas, and her current tour of the South Pacific as an ensign in the United States Navy represents her first time away from home.

Despite the difference in their ages and their totally divergent backgrounds, romance quickly blossoms between Emile and Nellie—until, however, she learns that he was once married to a Polynesian woman who bore him two children. Unable to come to grips with both this new information and an innate sense of bigotry within herself, Nellie then begins to break away from Emile's ever-advancing affections, thereby causing him to make an all-important decision which will put his life in great jeopardy.

On the opening night of Stage Door Productions' version of *South Pacific*, there were several problems which did, unfortunately, hinder the overall success of the show; however, one of these shortcomings actually had nothing to do with the performance itself.

From start to finish, the nearby bar was open, and the resulting noise coming from the frequent movement of bottles and glasses was quite distracting during the quieter moments of the story. In the past, when I've attended theatrical stagings at similar facilities, a bar such as this one was closed during the show, thus avoiding this kind of difficulty.

Jazz Trumpeter Kelley Bolduc Set For "First Friday" Series

"First Friday" event for the month of May is Kelley Bolduc, jazz trumpeter from the Berklee College of Music. The Agawam Junior High School, Springfield Street, Friday, May 5th, at 7:30 p.m., will be the scene for this exciting performance. Ms. Bolduc and her band will be giving a free concert in jazz, blues and Caribbean music.

Ms. Bolduc was the recipient of a grant through the Agawam Arts and Humanities, from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery.

Opening for the "Things Ain't What They Used To Be" jazz concert will be Steve Files and his Agawam Vocal Ensemble, with a performance of light jazz.

Files is also showcasing a grant given to him from the Agawam Arts and Humanities Council.

But, in regard to the performance, there were a couple of faulty moments that couldn't be ignored. At one point, a piece of scenery was brought onstage too early, and some of the musical numbers weren't sung as loudly and clearly as they should have been, namely "Bali Hai" and the initial rendering of one of the show's best known tunes, "Some Enchanted Evening."

Still, in all fairness, these problems were most likely due to "opening night" jitters surrounding the debut of Stage Door Productions and in no way outweighed the show's noteworthy pluses and latent potential.

Director Marc Allan Fuller of Agawam does a fine job of evoking solid performances from all the members of this large cast; music director Marc Gionfriddo is equally impressive in his efforts at helming a first-rate band which includes bassist Gene Lavoie and drummer Paul Billodeau; and outstanding dancing is highlighted throughout the entire show, particularly during the numbers "There Is Nothing Like A Dame" and "Honey Bun," thanks to choreographer Darlene Mayforth and assistant choreographer Debbie Elie (who, incidentally, also serve as two of the story's background ensigns).

Adorned with a wide range of striking costumes and performing on a well-crafted set, the entire cast of Stage Door Productions' *South Pacific* merits much praise for the overall high quality of their singing, acting, and (as I just mentioned) toe-tapping contributions to the performance.

As for the more prominent players among the supporting actors and actresses, youngsters Megan Forbes and Andrew Hubbard are quite charming and appealing as Ngana and Jerome, Emile de Becque's two little children from his earlier marriage to a Polynesian woman.

And, charm and appeal of a far different sort are provided by Bern Larsen and Steven Valentino in the parts of Luther Billis and Stewpot, a pair of manly seamen who supply much unbridled hilarity in the latter portion of the plot when they dress up as "sexy" Polynesian dancers during the lively number titled "Honey Bun."

Moreover, the character of Luther Billis is an ever-scheming yet basically likable scoundrel who occasionally steals the show, and Larsen more than enhances this unforgettable character with a comically roguish persona.

Speaking a rogues, a Polynesian huckster and all-around "dragon lady" by the name of Bloody Mary is vividly brought to life by Laurie Gutermann. As played by Miss Gutermann, this crafty individual keeps on surprising the other characters as well as the viewers in

the audience, and in turn, gives Luther Billis a run for his money when it comes to making a quick buck.

Representing two of the more serious members of the company, Fuller (the show's aforementioned director) and Raymond W. Mayforth are good in their respective roles of Captain George Brackett and Commander William Harbison. These two Navy officers are essentially "straight men" personalities within the framework of this musical, but during their subtly humorous moments, both Fuller and Mayforth make the most of these characters and depict them with much aplomb.

As Lt. Joseph Cable of the U.S. Marine Corps, Allan McPherson makes for a most winningly heroic figure. This character has been assigned to carry out a vitally important military mission during the course of the story, yet as fate would have it, he falls in love with Liat (well-played by Karen Ann McCarthy), Bloody Mary's exotic daughter.

McPherson is splendid in not only portraying the zeal and vitality of this youthful marine corps officer, but also in conveying the sense of loneliness which has befallen this American who is so far away from home.

In the major part of Emile de Becque, Stacy exudes a sense of suave maturity and gentlemanly elegance which complements the European nature of his character.

In addition, however, this actor is eloquent in displaying the heartache of a man who is quite desperate not to lose the woman who has now come to mean a possible source of much future happiness for him, as well as the enigmatic and stoic nature of an immensely private man who doesn't reveal his personal thoughts and feelings to just anyone and is, by the same token, initially regarded by the U.S. military as a somewhat suspicious individual.

Miss Follett, as Nellie Forbush, makes for an undeniably engaging presence. When we first meet her, she conveys this individual's youthful naivete to demonstrate that she is, at heart, still little more than a girl.

Then, as the play progresses, we get to see her down-home spunkiness, as is exhibited in the well-known number "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Out Of My Hair." And, by the end of the musical, via her experiences in this part of the *South Pacific*, Miss Follett proficiently exhibits a blend of budding maturity, eye-opening worldliness, and a sincere sense of tolerance regarding the island's Polynesian culture.

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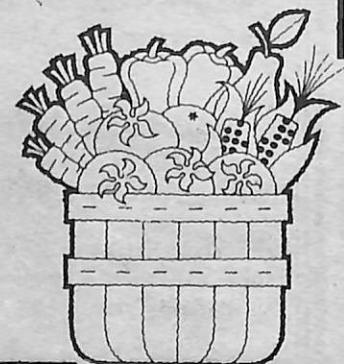
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She's Out of Control is an outlandish comedy which utilizes overly silly humor to depict the trials and tribulations in the changing relationship between an ever-worried dad and his adolescent daughter. Yet, by the same token, this ingratiatingly goofy film is good for a couple of laughs, and decent performances are delivered by Danza (TV's *Who's the Boss?*), Dolenz, Catherine Hicks (*Child's Play*) as Danza's good-natured girlfriend, and best of all, Wallace Shawn (*The Princess Bride*) in the part of a pretentious psychiatrist from whom Danza seeks advice when it comes to the topic of his physically grown-up but emotionally immature "little girl."

You could do far better than to go and see *She's Out of Control*; however, considering that there are also much more junky pictures out there, you could do far worse, too.

—*Speed Zone*: 0 STARS

A shockingly wretched, car-crashing comedy which focuses on a cross-country road race and showcases an eclectic cast of performers including SCTV veterans John Candy, Joe Flaherty, and Eugene Levy, the Smothers Brothers, a cameo by boxer Michael Spinks, and an obnoxiously unforgettable appearance by that inimitably amateurish actress, Brooke Shields.

A disastrous clone of Burt Reynolds' pair of (believe it or not) infinitely better *Cannonball Run* movies, *Speed Zone* has to be seen to be believed. Simply put, the acting, dialogue, editing, and photography (among other things) are SO bad that they have to go down as some of the all-time worst stuff which I've ever seen on celluloid.

In fact, I was so stunned by what I saw on the screen that I occasionally wondered if I should pinch myself to see if I was actually watching this film or just having an especially horrifying, cinematically-oriented nightmare.

At the end of each year, when I make my list of the ten lousiest pictures of the past 12 months, I usually name a big-budget and/or big-name movie as the baddest flick of that year. But, I can tell you right now that in the case of *Speed Zone*, it's going to take nothing short of a miracle to knock this most catastrophic cheapie out of the bottommost position of numero uno turkey of 1989.

*THE PHILM GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

— **Disorganized Crime**: Rated R for strong profanity, but still suitable for early-adolescent audiences.

— **Red Scorpion**: Rated R for its strong profanity and intense scenes of violence and torture.

— **Say Anything and See You in the Morning**: Both films are rated PG-13 for some mature themes and situations.

— **She's Out of Control**: Rated PG for some mildly mature humor.

— **Speed Zone**: While it is rated PG, some of its off-color humor should have earned the picture a rating of PG-13 instead.

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WILLIAM HILTON will be displaying his works at the Agawam Public Library throughout the month of May. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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The next regular dance of the Longmeadow Square Dance Club will be held on Saturday, May 20th, at 8:00 p.m., at the Williams Middle School, Woolworth Street off Bliss Road in Longmeadow. Red Bates will be calling, and Rita & George Taravella will cue the rounds.

All square dancers are welcome.

For further information, call Russ & Eloise Hoekstra, 567-5285.

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Public Library To Show Work Of Hilton

During May, the Agawam Public Library is presenting a special memorial exhibit of the work of commercial artist William (Will) D. Hilton.

Born in Bradford, Yorkshire, England, Hilton graduated from Bradford Technical School. He apprenticed with a British lithographer, studied at Brussels Academy of Art, Belgium, and attended Pratt Institute in New York. He also participated in the Great Artists curriculum.

Hilton was a sergeant in the British Royal Marines. He served in Egypt, Greece, India, France, Turkey, and the North Sea. Following World War I he worked at the Indian Motorcycle Company. His design of the Indian Scout emblem was the award winner. His original drawings of the Hampden County Memorial Bridge are housed at M.I.T. in Cambridge.

Hilton enjoyed an excellent reputation in letterhead advertising, and black-and-white lettering, an art that is now almost lost and forgotten. He was noted for the

detailed work in his dry-point etchings, watercolors, pen and ink drawings, and pencil drawings. Dry point etchings of local subjects grace the walls of the main dining room of the Student Prince Restaurant in Springfield.

Other emblems he designed were the Heinz 57 pickle jar, and the original Peter Paul Mounds Bar wrapper.

His reputation as a water colorist and etcher won him wide recognition throughout the east. He has exhibited in many national shows, and his work is in many private collections. He was a member of the Springfield Art League.

This exhibit may be viewed during regular library hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The library is closed Monday, May 29th, Memorial Day.

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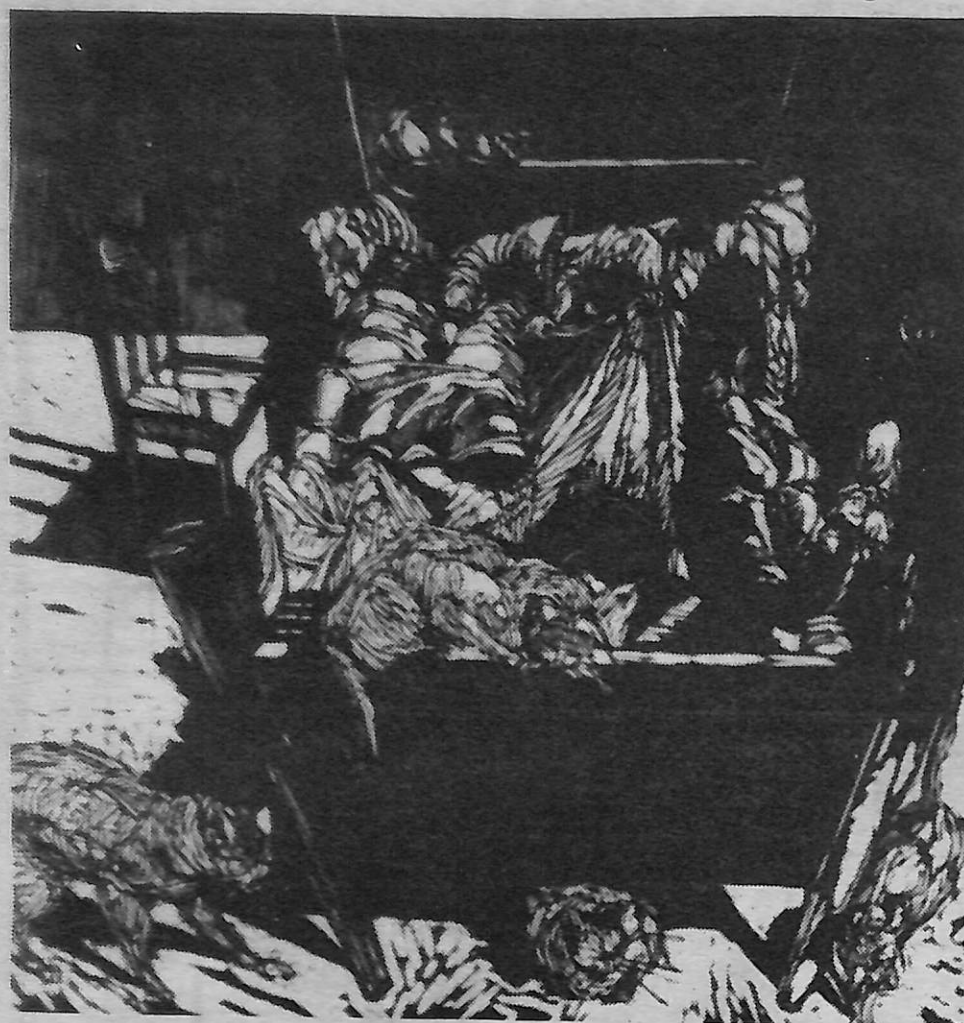
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FORMER AGAWAM RESIDENT DEBRAH SANTINI will have some of her art on display at Western New England College beginning May 7th.

Former Agawam Teacher's Art On Display At WNEC In May

Watercolor artist Luciana Heineman of Windsor, Connecticut, and print maker Debrah Santini of West Hartford, Connecticut, formerly of Agawam, will exhibit their work in the art gallery in The D.J. Germain Campus Center at Western New England College during the month of May. The public is cordially invited to the opening reception on Sunday, May 7th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., at the art gallery.

Ms. Santini teaches art at Granby Memorial High School in Granby, Connecticut. She has a master's of fine arts from the Pratt Institute in New York City and a master's in education from the University of Hartford School of Art. Ms. Santini was a former art teacher at Minnechaug Regional High School and at Agawam High School.

She has been published in two children's books' "The Baby Who Would Not Come Down," and "A Book of Creatures." She is a member of the Springfield Art League and the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators.

In 1987 Ms. Santini won the Don Freeman Memorial Grant from the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators. That same year she participated in the Third International Biennial Print Exhibit in Taiwan, the Jasper Whitney Rand Museum show, and the Wintonbury Art League show. She exhibited in the Springfield Art League International Exhibition shows in 1985, 1988, and 1989. Ms. Santini was an artist in residence last May at the Bridgeport Museum of Art, Science, and Industry.

Learn To Make Three Baskets At Historic Museum Starting May 9

Think of picnics, beach outings, or wild flower gathering; learn to make three baskets to suit your fancy with instructor Lorrie Scranton in this four-week course beginning Tuesday, May 9th, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum Education Center.

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Pre-registration and pre-payment are required at least one week before the first class session. For more information, please contact the Historical Museum, 732-3080.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery Council, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

The Historical Museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield, and is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.

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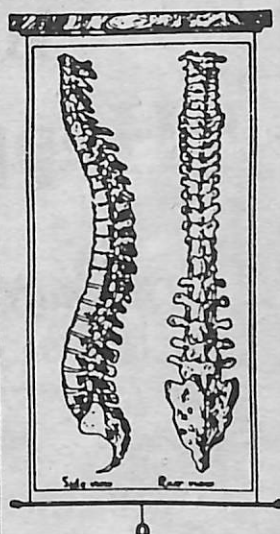
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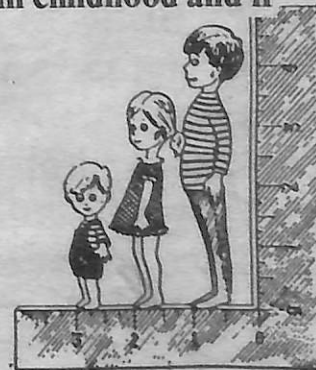
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Education

New "Kop Kar" Will Spice Message Of Road Safety To Community

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Thanks to the collective efforts of many people, businesses, and organizations, Agawam has an adorable new teaching tool driving down our community streets these days.

"KOP KAR" is a donated addition to the Agawam Police and School Departments that did not have to be budgeted for, no grants applied, and it won't increase the taxpayers' rates. It would seem almost impossible, but through volunteer efforts and a stroke of luck, Safety Officer Al Longhi managed to gain this creative vehicle for the town's use.

"The kids will really relate to this," smiled Longhi as he climbed into the driver seat and picked up the speaker. As KOP KAR began to greet us, its eyes flashed, and its mouth (the hood of the car) flapped. Longhi said, "We have the only talking KOP KAR in Western Massachusetts."

Agawam Lions Club Civic Improvement Chairman Larry Charest was responsible, in part, for helping Longhi retrieve KOP KAR from Methuen, Massachusetts, at no cost to the town. Then, resident John Sliech donated his time and effort to paint it at Sliech's Auto Body and paid for parts to repair it in working order.

Paul Galaska of Atlas Shell Casting made a shield on the police hat of the State seal and Jake Haffke painted the face, hat badge, and did the lettering.

Tom Cascio, Jr., who is president of the Agawam Lions Club, presented Longhi with a check to cover any of the set-up expenses not covered by the other donations. The Lions funds helped to refurbish the vehicle.

An official Massachusetts municipal license plate and stickers around KOP KAR for "911" and "School's Open - Drive Carefully," complete the decals to remind us that KOP KAR will help children to reinforce many safety tips offered to them by Longhi throughout the year.



THE NEW "Kop Kar" is a nice addition to the Agawam Police and School Departments to push public safety in the community and in the schools. Helping-out with the purchase of the car was the Agawam Lions Club, represented above by President Thomas Cascio (center) and Civics Improvement Chairman Larry Charest. At left is Safety Officer Al Longhi. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Annual Pot Luck Supper Held At James Clark School

James Clark School's students enjoyed another fun evening with family and friends at the Annual Pot Luck Supper held on Wednesday, April 26th.

Much to the delight of everyone, the cafeteria was transformed into a beautiful dining hall by Lynn O'Brien, chairwoman and coordinator of the event.

Ms. O'Brien and PTO member Linda Bryskiewicz spent the afternoon setting tables, arranging flowers, and creating the mood for the evening. The food was plentiful and delicious, with not a morsel left over.

The Pot Luck Supper marked the end of another year for the Clark School family. Principal Smith Rovelli and PTO President Joan Bitgood would like to take this opportunity to thank all the families and friends of James Clark School for their continued help and support throughout the year.

Contributions to the Halloween party, Christmas Bazaar, bake sales, book fairs, library book drives, and other fundraisers has been greatly appreciated.

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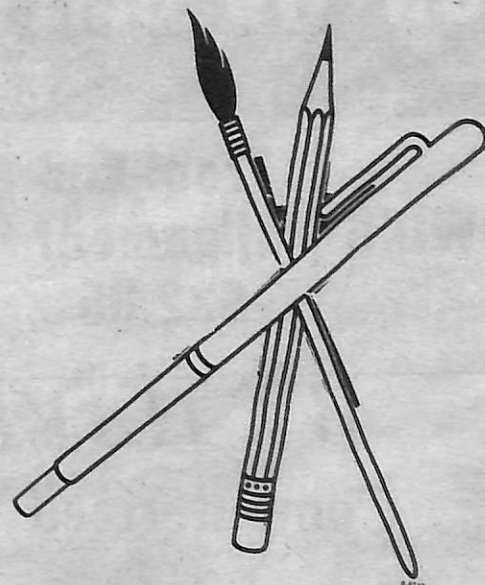
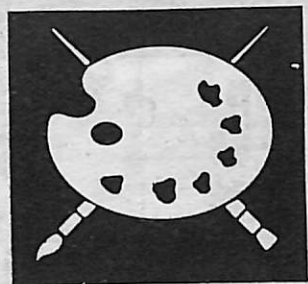
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Sen. Melconian At Jr. High About Drinking Age

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) visited Agawam Junior High students in Dennis Moran's class this month. The students had written letters to the Senator concerning a bill on raising the drinking age.

Senator Melconian congratulated the students on exercising their right to write to their elected officials and voicing their concerns. She talked with them about other rights, too.

"You can also initiate legislation to be filed as an Initiative Petition which is filed by the citizens. Massachusetts is the only state in the nation to allow this to be done," she said.

She told students that they could instead choose to have a legislator sponsor for their bill, and then the bill is referred to committee. She said, "The bill then goes to the first reading in the House. It goes to the committee it is in relationship to."

She explained that in Massachusetts there were 21 joint committees and 11 special Senate or House Committees made up from the 40 senators and 160 representatives. "The federal Congress has separate committees in the House of Representatives and the Senate. In Boston, our state government is primarily joint committees."

She spoke specifically about the bill students were concerned with, saying, "The Public Safety Committee will have a public hearing on the bill for anybody to give direct input for or against it. There may be amendments per written testimony from the proponents and opponents."

Students learned that after the hearing the committee must take action. "They may redraft it completely, study it, and vote on it. It is then reported 'ought not to pass' or favorably and goes to the House or Senate."

"If it was reported favorably, it goes onto the floor for the second reading at the Senate. Here, all 40 members of the Senate will debate it again," she stated.

"There are obstacles all along the way that can defeat a bill. It is much easier to defeat legislation than it is to pass it," the Senator explained. She told pupils that 6,000 to 8,000 bills are usually filed each year and "last year only about 350 became law."

After the Senate debate, a move is made to have the bill go to a Third Reading Committee which checks to insure there are no conflicts with the U.S. or Massachusetts Constitutions.

"This Committee is unique in the State. Congress

does not have this special committee for the third reading," she said. She defined engrossment as being passed in the Senate and the second reading in the House if no changes are made to the bill as enactment.



STATE SENATOR LINDA MELCONIAN addressed the Junior High classes of teacher Dennis Moran last month. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

"Then the bill must go to the Governor to be signed or vetoed. If the House and Senate sustain a veto, the bill dies. The House and Senate can override the veto with a two-thirds majority vote of both bodies present,"

she said. "If there were any changes, there must be a conference of House and Senate to sit down and negotiate the differences, and a written report goes to the Governor's office."

Senator Melconian concluded her lecture by adding, "It is an extraordinarily complex process to pass a bill."

Students then questioned her about the bill and found that she was opposed to it. "We passed a landmark auto insurance bill last year and that bill reported on driver education courses in the Commonwealth. There has been little or no change with the driver's education courses in over 50 years," she remarked.

"We have one of the lowest fatality rates for accidents in the nation, but have the highest record in terms of the low severity, low speed accidents in the nation. In terms of frequency, numbers and costs with these fender-benders, we are way off the charts. This is why we have tried to address this. These are the kinds of things that are causing some of the problems in this age. We need to change the way in which we teach people the way to drive, not raise the drinking age," she said.

She sympathized with students who wanted to work, go to college, and help contribute to part of the educational costs or family needing to have transportation. "Public transportation is not that great in this part of the state," she said.

She told students that some states have changed the hours or restricted hours for young drivers. "The reform bill for updating driver's education courses talks about refresher courses. Ideally, I think we should have experienced personal based ratings for insurance," she commented.

"We have the highest regulated system besides Texas in the nation and this effects the required coverages which are compulsory. I am on the attack of the Registry and I plan to carry the attack to the committee."

"With 400,000 uninsured vehicles in Massachusetts, the Registry still refuses to implement, in a timely fashion, the computerized network to rid our streets and highways of this dilemma."

"This fact alone contributes significantly to the high auto rates that all of us are forced to pay," she said. "Each town and city could receive \$400 for every uninsured vehicle police pick up."



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Perry Lane Day Camp Has Openings Available

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Registrations are being taken daily, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., on a first-come, first-served basis, until the camp is full. The number of camperships has increased for this summer.

School Supports Again Defend Education

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Many concerned parents, teachers, and citizens gathered to hear budget deliberations at the School Committee meeting last Tuesday, April 25th. More than likely many had planned to speak in support of educational spending but Project S.E.E. instructor Ann Bradford was first to address the committee during Citizen's Speak Time.

She summed up the feelings of all present when she said, "Agawam's School Budget should reflect the people of Agawam's concern of education." She received a round of applause.

Later in the meeting, Superintendent of Schools James Bruno told the committee that "Mr. (Donald) Charest (Associate Superintendent) and I met with the preparers of the budget and suggested they meet with their staff and funnel input back to me for prioritizing areas that they have the greatest concern for."

He added, "By May 9th we will have recommendations by them for the School Committee. If we have to indeed make this kind of reduction, there will be some kind of priority."

Bruno told the committee, "If the last area is in personnel (for priorities), we will move up the ladder as money is available." This year we are working with three unknown factors; we don't know what the Town Council or incoming Mayor will do, or what state reimbursement will be."

He added that Town Manager Frederick Messier told him that the Town Council would have the budget May 1st, and that by going up to the full tax levy under Proposition 2½, "we would be able to get \$300,000 back into the School Budget."

This amount would reduce the \$950,000 cut initially proposed by Messier to \$650,000, reducing the school budget to approximately \$12.8 million, pending any further reduction by the Town Council.

Granger School Principal Phyllis Lewis presented the committee with an overview of the in-service day program on April 12th for the elementary schools called "Here's Looking At You 2000."

She said there were tubs filled with books, videos, puppets, and lesson plans to cover kindergarten through grade four, and that the program will be "in every (elementary) school at least two months out of each year."

She explained that the program can be in sequence, with other subject areas, or even out of sequence. The program starts with self-esteem and teaches a values system, going through information on drugs and smoking without "real hardcore information being disseminated to young children," according to Mrs. Lewis.

She said one of the suggestions during the in-service program was team teaching. "Prevention One's Robin Reesemen, who trained 16 people for the program, came and spoke with teachers and home/school adjustment counselors," Mrs. Lewis said.

Agawam Police Officer Wayne Macey also showed teachers what major drugs looked like and discussed abuse symptoms. She added that a kindergarten through grade 12 curriculum guide is going to be purchased next year so that teachers could still do the program even if they did not have the tub.

School Committee Chairwoman Roberta Doering said, "This will be a natural progression to the D.A.R.E. program at the Middle School."

There is also a tub for the seventh and eighth graders at the junior high and Peer Leadership students at AHS plan to talk with first grade students.



FILLING-OUT FORMS at the Agawam Recreation Department for the Summer Camp Program are parents Beverly Hoskin and Lenny Pillarella. According to Director Jack Kunasek, all sign-ups will be stopped on Friday, May 5th. A few openings still existed at presstime. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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“To Tell The Truth” Adapted Well For Robinson School

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

In a clever adaptation of the old-time television game show “To Tell The Truth,” Robinson Park Elementary School students, parents, and teachers viewed Mara Naglieri’s third grade presentation of To Test The Truth.

An introduction by **Stefanie Karam** led the audience into Scene I in which Emcee **Gary Mantolesky** introduced panelists Kitty Carlisle (**Julie Peiffer**), Henry Morgan (**Raymond Watson**), Betsy Palmer (**Joelle Aubin**), and Orson Bean (**William Bellico**). **Melani Meunier** told the panel some interesting facts about George Washington before panelists had to choose between the three contestants. The audience also learned important data and participated in the selection of the real George Washington.

Eric Lyccardi played George Washington No. 1 and gave away his true identity by being unaware that Washington, D.C., did not become the capital of the United States until Thomas Jefferson became President in the 1800’s. **Peter Sawyer** was only a poor farmer although he tried desperately to convince the panel that he was truly the correct choice as No. 2. The real George Washington (No. 3) was played by **Jon Couture** and most of the children in the audience guessed correctly when polled.

In Scene II, **Kelly Robinson** as Peggy Cass, **Nicole Vincze** playing Arlene Francis, **Matthew Norris** as Bill Cullen, and **Kate Anderson** portraying Bess Myerson listened intently as **Jody Bulat** told them and the audience about Abraham Lincoln.

It seemed as though not many in the audience could be fooled into thinking Abe No. 1 (**Aaron Musa**) or Abe No. 3 (**Shane Battles**) could be the real Honest Abe (**Jeffrey Lyman**) as Abraham Lincoln No. 2.

Seth Theberge read a closing and the presentation concluded with a thoughtful display of gratitude. The class presented Mrs. Naglieri with a bouquet of flowers.

Credits also went to students **Jeff Machia** and **Jessica Francis** for programs; **Mark Berthiaume**, lights; **Jill Fogg**, as sound technician; and **Maria Tirone**, as Stage Manager.

Agawam Marching Mohawks To Sponsor Car Wash May 6th

The Agawam Marching Mohawk Band is sponsoring a Car Wash at Sacred Heart Church, Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m., on Saturday, May 6th.

A second Car Wash will be held on Saturday, May 20th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the same location.

Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used for scholarships which are given to deserving students each year. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

23rd Annual Open House At Bambi

The Bambi School will hold their 23rd Annual Open House on Tuesday, May 9th, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. The event is open to the public.

The Bambi School offers pre-school, pre-kindergarten, and kindergarten classes as well as full-time day care. They are open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., year-round.

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ROBINSON PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS who participated in the recent “To Tell The Truth” program. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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Day Camp Sign-ups Set To Stop May 5; Cuts May Curtail Services

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Day camp sign-ups will come to a halt on Friday, May 5th, according to Park and Recreation Director Jack Kunasek.

Kunasek said Tuesday that some 400 Agawam youngsters were already enrolled in the summer program, which can only handle an estimated 500 children a day.

Kunasek is concerned about the extent of service and the kind of services his department will be able to sustain next year if proposed budget cuts are okayed, or if the proposed rubbish fees (expected to generate \$700,00 in revenue to the town) are not approved.

Kunasek foresees cuts in his staff for Fiscal Year 1990, cuts that could include maintenance craftsmen and custodians.

"We're all in the same boat," Kunasek said. "But it looks as if the boat is sinking."

Without the revenue from the trash bill (which is included in the proposed FY90 budget submitted Monday to Town Council), Kunasek sees six or seven of his employees out of work and a loss of services to the community.

"We'll be cleaning buildings every other day, or only doing half of a building," he said Tuesday.

Kunasek oversees Building Maintenance as well, and notes that the routine things residents take for granted won't get done as quickly. In fact, some things won't get done at all, he added.

With a staff of 50 in various levels of skilled and unskilled work, Kunasek says he will have his hands full just trying to decide who will stay and who will go and what his department priorities are.

Despite program cutbacks that could make some of those decisions easier than others, the bottom line is that his department, like all others, is not out from under the budget knife just yet.

Julie Ferioli Inducted In National Engineering Society

Julie Ferioli, a junior majoring in chemical engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York, was recently inducted into Tau Beta Pi, the national engineering honor society.

Founded in 1885, membership in Tau Beta Pi is open to engineering students in the top eighth of their junior class.

One of the six initial honor societies in the Association of College Honor Societies, Tau Beta Pi has a world-wide reputation due to its high standards for membership. In addition to high academic achievement, membership requirements include personal integrity, a wide range of interests, adaptability, and participation in community and volunteer activities.

Tau Beta Pi boasts among its members several Nobel Prize winners, many astronauts, members of the National Academy of Engineering, and several recipients of the National Medal of Science.

The daughter of John & Alexis Ferioli of North West Street, Feeding Hills, Julie has attained a 3.7 cumulative grade point average while an undergraduate at R.P.I.

An associate editor of the college yearbook *Transit*, she will complete the second phase of her cooperative education program this summer as an employee of James River Graphics Corporation in South Hadley.

Robinson Park School Hosts Family Hockey Night

Recently, the Springfield Civic Center not only hosted a hockey game between the hometown Springfield Indians against the Canadian Bretons, but also welcomed 258 Robinson Park students and their families.

Thanks to the idea and efforts of Kirk Parker, physical education teacher, and the Robinson Park PTO, the school was able to buy tickets at a special price for the families.

The event was not only exciting but very successful. Students enjoyed the event being able to sit with so many of their friends, their families, and teachers. Of course, the food itself was an experience! To top off the evening, the Indians won 3-2.

The event was so successful, it is hoped that a Robinson Park Family Night at a Springfield hockey game will become a yearly event.

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Health Fair Held At Robinson Park

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

A Health Informational Fair was held at Robinson Park Elementary School, Thursday, April 27th, for students, parents, and friends.

Hilda Bartnik, R.N. at Robinson, coordinated the fair in conjunction with Baystate Medical Center and contacted many national health organizations to set-up approximately 15 booths throughout the gym.

Students were scheduled in classes of one-half hour segments from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. that day, but Mrs. Bartnik said, "They have been spending more than their allotted time here because they are so enthusiastic. We will definitely have to consider scheduling more time if we run another fair."

In the evening, parents, grandparents, and friends could visit the fair from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., during Open House. The Robinson PTO also held a raffle and teacher conferences were set-up in classrooms.

Mrs. Bartnik agreed the fair was a lot of work but added, "The children helped get the gym ready for the fair. They made collages, cut out pictures, and over 200 posters to decorate the gym."

"You can't start too early giving out this information to help children make intelligent decisions for the right lifestyle. I hope they will use it wisely," she said.

A booth by New England Ophthalmological Society discussed the well-eye, eye safety, glaucoma, and other eye diseases. The display, which took Mrs. Bartnik and helpers over two hours to set-up, will be sent to Natick, Massachusetts, for another fair next week.

A cookbook for children by the American Heart Association supplied recipes for PTO volunteers President Kathie Kida and Pat O'Connor to make healthy snacks such as granola for the children to sample. They also used excerpts from the California Raisins Bonbons recipe and ran a video of Nancy Duffy's

Channel 22 segments on good nutrition.

There was a fascinating display of actual human lungs in the normal, emphysema, and cancer stages set-up by the American Cancer Society with stickers and booklets about "How To Quit Smoking" available.

Next to that booth the American Lung Association passed-out special coloring books to kindergarten through second grades, and buttons and pamphlets saying "I'll Never Smoke" to third and fourth graders. There was also a video regarding healthy lungs on-going.

One of the favorites was the hands-on Fitness Center where students took their resting pulse first. Then they used the exercise bike and jumped rope before taking their pulse again to find the active pulse rate. They could watch an exercise video during their workout.

Physical and Occupational Therapists from Baystate Medical Center measured the strength in students' hands and let them try different kinds of splints, crutches, and walkers. There was a display of (skeleton) human knees and hands to view.

Police Officer Wayne Macey from the Agawam Police Department showed students actual samples of drugs such as marijuana, cocaine, and crack, along with some of the paraphernalia used with these three types of drugs. There was information on the fact that crack was actually a cheaper form of cocaine that is smoked (free-basing) and facts about its abuse. This booth was in conjunction with the on-going D.A.R.E. program at Agawam Public Schools.

Police Safety Officer Al Longhi displayed the Telephone Village where children could reinforce their use of the emergency 911 number to call police, fire, and ambulance for assistance. He also raffled-off

t-shirts for safety belt "Buckle Up," and had many brochures. Outside the school, children also visited the new talking "Kop Kar."

The American Heart Association showed real arteries normal and clogged with cholesterol and (Atherosclerosis) hardening of the arteries. There was a model of the human heart.

In the dental booth a Charlie Brown video on flossing and brushing played. Children were given toothpaste and red disclosing tablets that show where plaque builds on your teeth.

Pat Nadel, R.N. from the Nursing Division of Baystate Medical Center, had a booth promoting health careers and children made posters depicting medical careers.

Robinson Speech Therapist Kay Gorski set-up a language display with an explanation of what happens during speech classes, and had a developmental learning tape to hear.

The H.A.P.P.E. Committee showed some of the equipment used in education about special people and the American Red Cross provided handouts on the Heimlich Maneuver, AIDS, and CPR. There was also some tips on boating safety, pool rules for swimming, alcohol awareness, and how to stop bleeding.

School Committee Chairwoman Roberta Doering visited the fair during the day and said, "I am all for this because the younger we begin educating our children that we have choices, the better."

She added, "Robinson was the one school in Agawam that was invited to the Health Explosion at the Springfield Science Museum which is trying to develop a 'Hall of Health.' They had a laser, sports medicine, and an operating room in coordination with Baystate Medical Center. It was very educational."

Former Resident Aprille Soderman Honor Student At U. Of Hartford

Former Agawam resident Aprille Query Soderman was installed as a member of Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society in education, on Sunday, April 16th, at the University of Hartford, Bloomfield Avenue, West Hartford, Connecticut.

Members of the Pi Phi Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi transformed the Faculty Dining Room of the Gengras Campus Center with candlelight and flowers for the initiation ceremonies. Dr. Cecilia Welna, Dean of the College of Education, Nursing and Health professions welcomed the new members. Faculty, administrators, and friends honored the newly installed members at a reception immediately following the ceremony in the Gengras Campus Center.

Aprille is an evening graduate student at the Univer-

sity of Hartford working on a master's degree in Education with dual certification in History and Social

Science. She was nominated by her professors for membership in Kappa Delta Pi as a result of outstanding academic achievement and involvement in local public education. Aprille maintained a grade point average of 4.0 while also working days at Windsor High School in Windsor, Connecticut.

She is the daughter of Dr. & Mrs. Paul Query of 174 Edgewater Road, Agawam.

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May Again Offers Busy Schedule For Schools' Music Depts.

The month of May is usually a busy one for Agawam Schools' music groups and this year will be no exception, even though the AHS Band and Show Choir have already completed their big trips for the year.

On **Friday, May 5th**, **Kelley Bolduc**, former Agawam High standout trumpeter, will be presenting a Jazz Evening with her band from The Berklee School of Music in Boston.

The program will also include the Agawam High Jazz singers directed by Steve Files. This program is free and sponsored by the Agawam Arts and Humanities Council, and will take place at the Junior High Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 9th, will find all **Agawam Schools' Concert Bands** getting together at the Agawam High School Gym for the Annual Band Time Concert at 7:30 p.m. The **5th Grade Band** and the **6th Grade Band** from the Agawam Middle School will open the program. These groups are directed by Kenneth Longstreeth.

Following will be the **Junior High Concert Band** directed by Tamara Watson, and the **Senior High Concert Band** directed by Scott Thomson.

The program will conclude with Darcy Davis, director of Music, directing the combined Junior High and Senior High Bands in the selection "*Londonderry Air*"; and all of the bands will combine for "*America The Beautiful*." Donations will be taken at the door for this concert to help with Band Parents' Scholarships.

On **Friday and Saturday, May 12th and 13th**, Agawam will be hosting the Carousel Music Festival at the Agawam High School auditorium and bandroom, with several visiting schools bringing music ensembles to perform for ratings before they go to Riverside Park.

On **Tuesday, May 16th**, Agawam will host the Western and Central District Jazz Festival for Junior High Bands. This will be held at the Agawam High School auditorium in the afternoon and in the evening.

Wednesday, May 17th will find the Middle School music groups from the sixth grade presenting an evening performance at that school's auditorium.

The Agawam High Marching Mohawk Band will bring its season to a close with two performances. The first will be at the "Nostalgia Day Celebration" at the Heritage Hall Nursing Home complex, Sunday, May 21st. The Band will be marching through the grounds and performing at the stage area at 1:30 p.m.

Agawam Lioness Present Annual Scholarships



CHRISTINE SCHOENBORN and **CHRISTINE MOLLOY** were presented scholarships from the Agawam Lioness Club on Monday, May 1st, at the club's May Banquet Meeting. Both girls will be entering the field of medicine. Presenting the scholarships is Lioness **Elaine Taupier**.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

The final showing will take place at Agawam's Memorial Day Parade, which this year starts at the Southworth Paper Company on Main Street with ceremonies at the new Veteran's Memorial at Phelps School. These events will take place on Saturday, May 27th, instead of on the usual Monday holiday.

Other music events for the end of May include an **Evening with Percussion**, Tuesday, May 23rd, at 7:30 p.m., which will be a workshop/performance evening at the Agawam High Auditorium for all students who wish to perform solos and take part in an evening of shared activity either as performers or audience.

The public is invited to this program, which will also feature the **Agawam High Percussion Ensemble** and **Barry Boccasile**, a local area standout drummer and teacher who graduated from AHS.

The String Festival will take place at the Middle School Auditorium on Wednesday evening, May 24th, with string students of Dorothy Hegarty from all Agawam Schools performing in ensembles on that evening.

A performance of "*Annie*" is scheduled for Robinson Park Elementary by students of that school on Thursday evening, May 25th.

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Wednesday, May 10th: Hamburg in roll, sliced cheese, oven potato puffs, buttered diced beets or chocolate pudding, milk.

Thursday, May 11th: Steamed frankfort in roll, oven baked beans, oven french fries with ketchup, applesauce or white cake with peanut butter icing, milk.

Friday, May 12th: Oven roasted chicken, or peanut butter sandwich, whipped potatoes, seasoned carrot coins, bread and butter, ice cream, milk.

Agawam High School Sets 40th Class Reunion Sept. 23

The Agawam High School Class of 1949 is planning their 40th Class Reunion on September 23rd.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of the following people, please call Dot (Taddia) Fitzgerald, 733-6259 or Tessie (Paro) Losito, 786-5784. They are looking for Gordon Clark, Gloria (Gould) Soffan, Shirley (Larsen) Shaw, Robert Sealander, Shirley (White) Parker, Ronald Trevallion, and James Scott.

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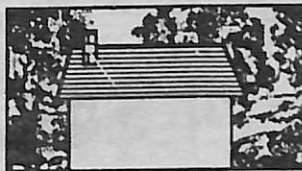
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Sportsmen's Corner

— By Bill Chiba —



A Real Shooting Test!!!

If you haven't received your turkey permit in the mail by now, you better make a call to the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife headquarters. The season opened May 3rd for the first week of the season.

If you haven't patterned your gun, you should. There is nothing more disturbing than to have a gobbler strutting in front of you at 30 to 35 yards (shoot) and have the bird take off. You know that you held right on the neck and the bird should have keeled over. "What happened?" you ask yourself. "I did everything right." Finding the way your gun shoots is the bottom line.

Last weekend I patterned my gun with the new copper plated Winchester turkey six and four loads. All I

can say is "wow." I have never shot a load at 30 and 35 yards with such density of pellets. I have a Savage Semi-Automatic with two barrels, a slug barrel, and a modified choke barrel. I have taken many a bird, grouse pheasant, timber doodle, and ducks.

I like the teal shooting best. They are small, fast, and good eating. So, the modified barrel puts out a good pattern. I have tried other popular loads for turkeys in the past and thought that the number of BBs in the kill area of the bird was good. It has to be the construction of the shell that keeps the load of BBs closer together at the yards shot. I'm satisfied and enthused over the New Winchester double-X Magnum turkey loads.

There are so many turkey hunters out in the woods during pre-season that the opening day success ratio is lacking in some areas. I sat in a restaurant last season and heard two turkey hunters wind up in an argument.

There is always one dedicated hunter that spends many hours in the woods and locates six to seven birds before the season.

Well, he can only be in one place at one time, so he has to pick the place that will produce the gobbler the fastest.

However, other bird hunters are out locating birds before the season. The dedicated hunter has his turkey fouled-up by another hunter and sits in the eatery bemoaning his bad luck. Another apparition dressed in

came, and a face darkened with black and green cream, sits down beside him. They listen to each other's tales of frustration.

"I know where there are six more gobblers." "Yeah, I located a few myself last week," replies his companion. "I'm going to hit the spot along the water pipeline. There is a good tom in there," says the first hunter. "I raised one there myself and figured on hitting the spot tomorrow." "When did you scout the area?" asks the indignant hunter. "Last week," is the reply. "Well I scouted it two weeks ago and I figure that it is my bird and I'm going to hunt him tomorrow." "Your bird, I haven't seen a turkey with a name printed on it yet," is the reply.

The two turkey hunters went at it for a few minutes in the parking lot before the both of them sped away in their cars. I often wondered which one or if they both hunted the same bird the next morning. It's possible that after cooling down, neither one hunted that particular bird, figuring that the other was going to be there.

Play it safe. Tie a band of red ribbon around the tree you are sitting against. Hunters have been shot by moving (waiting for a bird to come in) by another turkey hunter that had no idea that he was that close. The ribbon may make a hunter scrutinize the area more closely and be able to pick you out sitting against the tree.

New England Gymnastics Boast Top Performers

Four gymnasts from the New England Gymnastics School in Agawam took top all-around honors in the two-day USGF-sponsored Massachusetts State Gymnastics Championships for Boys held at Algonquin Regional High School on April 22nd and 23rd.

Three-time state champion Michael Dinucci of East Longmeadow retained his position as number one Class II gymnast of the state by performing an optional and compulsory routine in each of the men's six events: floor, parallel bars, rings, vault, pommel horse, and high bar. Mike is also a member of the Regional Team, representing Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, and Rhode Island, in competitions against the top gymnasts of other regions of the United States.

Following in Michael's footsteps, nine year-old Ali Eslami of Manchester, Connecticut, also being coached by Springfield's own Olympic gold-medalist Tim Daggett, became the Class III state champion in the nine and under compulsory event division.

Tim Wheeler of Springfield earned the Class IV (ages 10-12) Massachusetts State champion title in compulsory events.

Brandon Shemain of North Suffield, Connecticut, placed second all-around in Class III c/o competition for ages 13-15.

Four other NEG gymnasts placed in individual events during the championships. Michael Moran of Windsor, Connecticut, became state champion in the Class III high bar event, in addition to taking fourth place on still rings and sixth place on parallel bars. Kirk Ringbloom of Manchester, Connecticut, took second place on Class II c/o vault and fifth place on floor. Jeff Eckhouse of South Windsor, Connecticut, came in fifth on Class II c/o still rings. And Toby Hobbs of East Granby, Connecticut, came in second on Class IV still rings.

Michael Dinucci, Kirk Ringbloom, Jeff Eckhouse, Michael Moran, Brandon Shemain, Joe Roemer, and Ali Eslami will represent New England Gymnastics at the USGF Regional competition on May 13th and 14th in Braintree.

New Event Part Of Basketball Hall's Enshrinement

The Basketball Hall of Fame will institute a new event as part of its Annual Enshrinement Ceremonies.

Executive Director Joe O'Brien has announced that on Tuesday, May 9th, Enshrinement Day, two separate autograph sessions will be scheduled so hoop fans in this area will have an opportunity to meet Hall of Famers, basketball celebrities and award winners.

"We've scheduled two, one-hour sessions," O'Brien said. "The morning session will get underway in the Hall of Fame at 10:30 a.m., and the afternoon session will start at 2:30 p.m., following the noon Awards Luncheon in the Sheraton Tara."

Invited to take part in the 10:30-11:30 a.m. portion are the following Hall of Famers: Paul Arizin, Bill Cunningham, Bob Davies, Jack Gardner, Hal Greer, "Red" Holzman, Sam Jones, Bob Kurland, Ed Macauley, Arad McCutchan, John McLendon, Pete Newell, John Nucatola, Andy Phillip, and Bobby Wanzer.

Hall of Famers invited for the 2:30-3:30 p.m. session are: "Red" Auerbach, Tom Gola, Cliff Hagan, Les Harrison, Ray Meyer, Dolph Schayes, J. Dallas Shirley, and Ed Steitz. They will be joined by Trustees Bill Foster, Jud Heathcote, Betty Jaynes, George Killian, Brice Durbin, Billy Packer, Pat Summitt, and Joe Vancisin; as well as Frank Layden, retired Utah Jazz coach, Naismith Award winners Paulette Backstrom of Bowling Green State University and Tim Hardaway of UTEP, and Lapchick Trophy winner Sean Elliott of Arizona.

"Since so many of these basketball greats will be in our city—Basketball City, U.S.A.—that day we want to give area fans an opportunity to meet them," O'Brien said.

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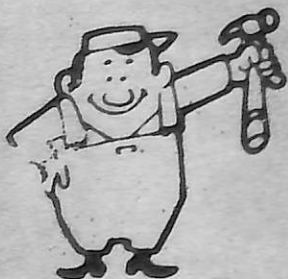
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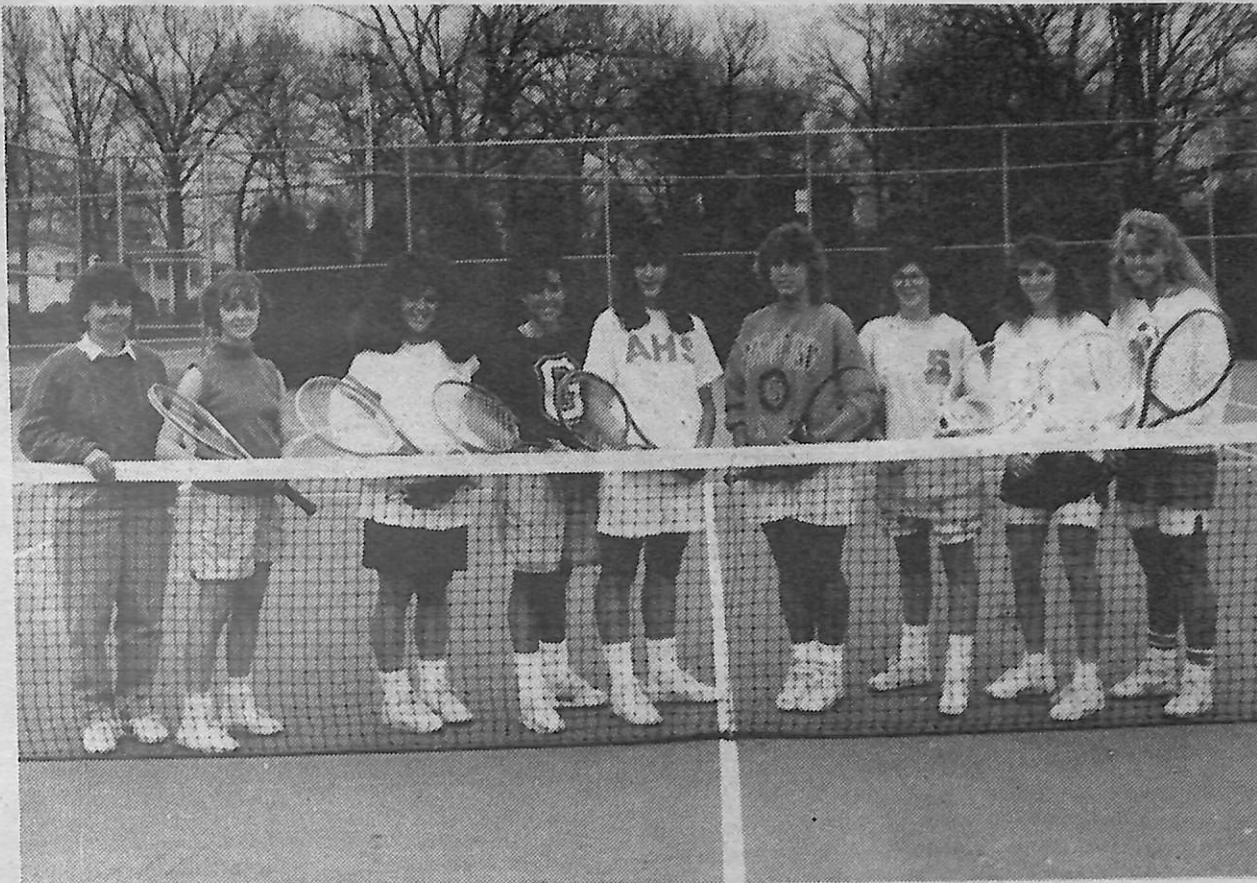
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Golf Tip Of The Week "Turning On"

by Jim Modzelesky
PGA Teaching Professional
Oak Ridge Golf Club

One of the toughest things about golf is that we are hitting a ball that is standing perfectly still, with ourselves also in pretty much a stationary mode. In most other sports the players are reacting to a moving ball or the action of other players, which puts them automatically into responsive motion.

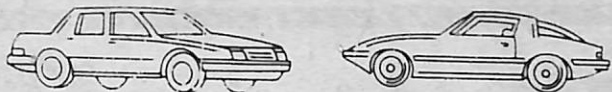
Golfers need some way to initiate movement before taking the club back, and the forward press is probably the most common method. I don't think it's the best way, though, because shoving the hands forward throws them out of the position you want them to be at impact.

Forward pressing can also alter the angle of the clubface. You might get the hands and clubface back where you want them, but then again you might not. Why take the chance?

You don't see many touring pros using the forward press. Nicklaus sort of leans his body to his left a hair to get himself started. Player pumps his right knee a few times, and a lot of guys wiggle their feet in place or use the waggle to get moving. None of these motions creates extra, unnecessary angles in club position or body alignment.

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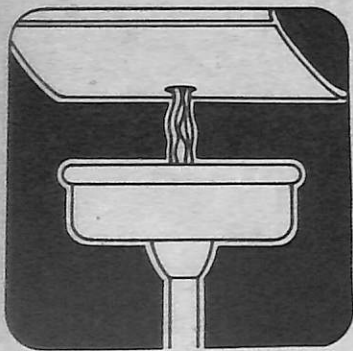
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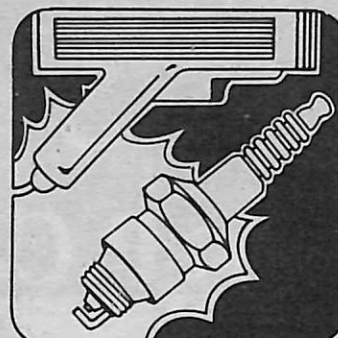


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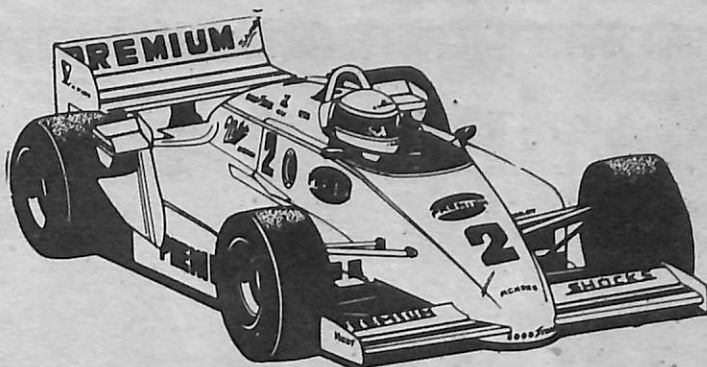
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Racing At Riverside



Marathon Madness Enduro At Riverside May 7

It was the brainchild of Riverside Park Speedway management to come up with the form of family entertainment to highlight the existing race program at the Speedway.

Riverside for years has been the host of perhaps the most noted and successful quarter-mile Saturday night NASCAR program in New England.

In the past, highlighting these events, have been several Sunday evening specials, such as Demolition Derbies. These events have been witnessed by standing-room-only crowds and are a favorite with all New England thrill seekers.

Now Riverside Park Speedway will take the Sunday thrills format into another dimension. Endurance racing is back at Riverside Park with the first being held Sunday, May 7th. It will also include real racing with the all-new Strictly Stock Division running.

The first event will again be called the **Marathon Madness Enduro 100**, and will be at 6:00 p.m., in the Riverside Stadium. It will feature four qualifying heats of 50 cars or more. These cars will be stock street cars (with no Modifications, except in the interest of safety roll bars are required—no station wagons allowed).

Each qualifying event will be run on the Riverside course. The distance of each heat race will be 25 laps, with the top 15 cars moving into the main event.

The next trick in the program is from the officials. Will the main event of 100 laps on the oval be run clockwise or counter-clockwise? It will be the wildest

event ever—the only time the race will be stopped is in an emergency situation. The winner of the event will receive \$500, plus additional cash for second, third, etc. All heat races will play \$50 to win and a trophy.

You must pre-enter this event as the race is offered to the first 200 pre-entered, pre-paid drivers. Riverside already has over 150 cars pre-entered, so don't delay. To pre-enter you must go to the Riverside Park office, during regular park hours, Monday to Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Ask for Scottie to sign-up. Entry is based on a first-come, first-serve basis. Fee is \$10.

Besides the Marathon Enduro, the first Sunday Strictly Stock race will run. This new division is one step up from the Enduro Class. With a lot of popular Enduro drivers making the move up, competitors must qualify at 4:00 p.m. for a 6:00 p.m. event start.

And back by popular demand is the amateur monster 4x4 truck contest. This event pays \$100 to win and a giant trophy. This is for any Street drive 4x4 vehicle. You must drive over two crushed cars and race against the clock to win. (Damage to vehicle is assumed with risk to owner).

You must enter in advance. Entry is \$10.

Last year, 20 trucks took on the Monster Course in record time. So don't miss it, Sunday, May 7th, at 6:00 p.m.

Pits open by 1:00 p.m. Mandatory sign-in is by 1:00 p.m.

For more information, call 786-9300.

Heavy Rains Again Stop Riverside's Racing

April was the worst month ever for early-Spring race events in New England.

Every weekend during April temperatures were in the 20's or 30's, with heavy rains and even snow, following the mildest winter in years.

And Saturday, April 29th, at Riverside Speedway is no exception to this string of bad weather. After five days last week of great warm weather, heavy clouds and heavy rains postponed another NASCAR event at Riverside Park Speedway.

And with the month of May here, Riverside's management hopes that a great stretch of weather is not far behind.

The month of May begins on Saturday, May 6th, with the Valentine Lumber-Bud **May Basket Fantastic 4**. This will be a night of NASCAR racing with the Modifieds, Pro Stocks, Late Model Streets, and Strictly Stocks competing.

Over \$1,200 in Valentine Lumber Bonus Money will be presented to the qualifying heat and consolation winners in all four divisions. The race program consists of 22 events with a 6:00 p.m. start, with action beginning with the Strictly Stock feature.

Remember - "Action Is The Attraction" at Riverside Park Speedway. Don't miss this Saturday's night special feature. For more information, please call 786-9300, Riverside Park Speedway.

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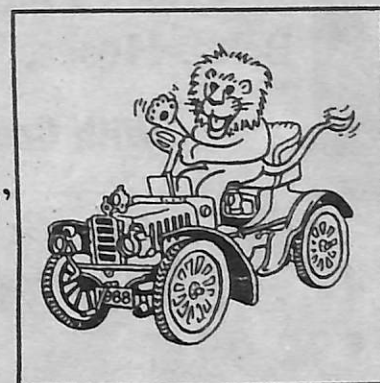
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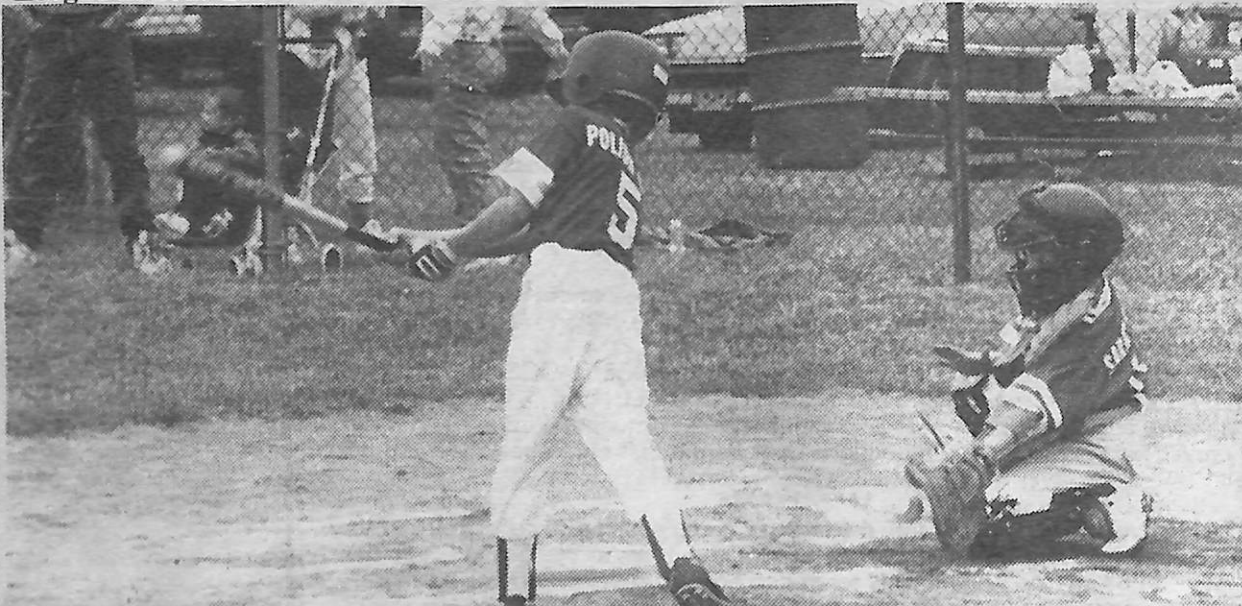
"Play Ball" At Agawam Little League



I MISSED THAT PITCH BY A MILE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



A SWING AND A MISS - Greg Powers can't connect for the Polish Club in Agawam Little League action. The catcher is Derek Mercadante. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SARAT FORD CATCHER Derek Mercadante stops a near wild-pitcher during early-season for the Agawam Little League last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

10K Road Race In Agawam To Benefit Heart Association

On Saturday, May 20th, runners will compete for prizes in a 6.2 mile 10K Road Race. The event is open to male and female runners, 15 years-old and up.

Cash prizes will be awarded in both categories as follows: First place finishers receive \$100; second place, \$50; third place, \$25. Entry fee is \$7, pre-race, and \$8, the day of the event. The first 50 entrants receive a free t-shirt commemorating the event. Post-race refreshments will be served.

All proceeds will benefit the American Heart Association. The race begins and ends on the grounds of Heritage Hall, 61 Cooper Street, Agawam.

Please complete the registration form below and mail to the attention of Darrell Carlson, or call 786-8000 for more information.

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4 Gain Berths In Tri-Parish Bowl

After all was tabulated, calculated, and figured-out, four teams are competing for the Annual Grand Championship of the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League.

Leading the field as the hottest team is Round Three champion Notre Dame (31½ wins); Round One and Two champions Georgetown (who finished 10th in Round Three); Fordham, the second place finishers in Round Three; and St. Michael, a team that finished consistently well in Rounds One, Two, and Three, was given the qualifying nod to compete for the Grand Championship by league officials. St. Mike's were considered the "Wild Card" team.

In a playoff preview, Notre Dame battled Fordham to a two-wins-each split. This was crucial to Fordham as it tied St. Anselm and Catholic University with 26 wins in Round Three, but grabbed second place by virtue of its total team pinfall for the round (15,258).

ND winners in this pre-playoff battle were ESTHER DEPALO (closing the regular season with a bang-327), CHERYL PRZESZLO (296), and captain JOHN RESCIGNO (304). Rescigno defeated Fordham captain ANN O'CONNELL (294). The only Fordham winner was SANDY PRZESZLO, but it proved to be a very big victory - 318-273 over BOB PICKETT, who was fresh-off his Florida vacation (why does it seem everyone who comes back from holiday always rolls so lousy?).

St. Anselm made a huge run for the playoffs but fell just short, three wins to one over Georgetown. St. A's needed a clean sweep to get in. Georgetown has been reeling throughout Round 3. Can G-Town get it back in time for the Grand Playoffs?

St. A's winners were DEBBIE GEORGE (308) and RICH SNYDER (magnificent 365- breaking High Class A Triple of 357 held by himself and ED SCHULTSKI). Winners for G-Town were "Jungle" JIM BURLINGHAM (349) and captain AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO (344). Moccio defeated St. A's captain TONY KOZAK (308). This was really a fine match and the rolling for G-Town bodes well for a good Grand Championship match.

Catholic University took four wins from 11th place Holy Cross (13 wins). CU made a valiant stab at the Grand Championships but fell oh so short. CU winners were CAROLINE COELLN (242), KATHY BURLINGHAM (261), and captain JIM SNYDER (298). He defeated HC captain LARRY VIENS (279). This was really a lousy match, to say the least.

Fifth place Boston College (25 wins), always a disappointment this year, soundly thrashed Villanova to go out in style, four wins to none. Villanova is lashed-down in last place (to no one's surprise).

BC winners were PAT RESCIGNO (284), JANICE MOCCIO (263), JIM MCNAMEE (290), and captain JOHN O'CONNELL (319). O'Connell sent Villanova captain RENEE JURY packing (282). Actually, 282 was a much-improved score for Renee. "Moonlight Over Bermuda," eh, Renee? See you next year!

St. Michael blasted its way into the Grand Championships by defeating St. Mary (8th place-21 wins). Believe it - watch out for this team in the Grand Championships if it has an "on" night. This team can belt-em down on any given night.

St. Mike's winners were ED SCHULTSKI (288) and captain STU "The Mad Stork" STORK (344). Storkie won the overall individual scoring championship for the men (114.10), while new "Queen of the May," KATHY BURLINGHAM, took honors for the women (98.82). By the way, Storkie rolled a good match in defeating St. Mary's captain JOHN PROVOST (326-108.57 average for the year).

The only St. Mary winner was STELLA BARBIERI (264).

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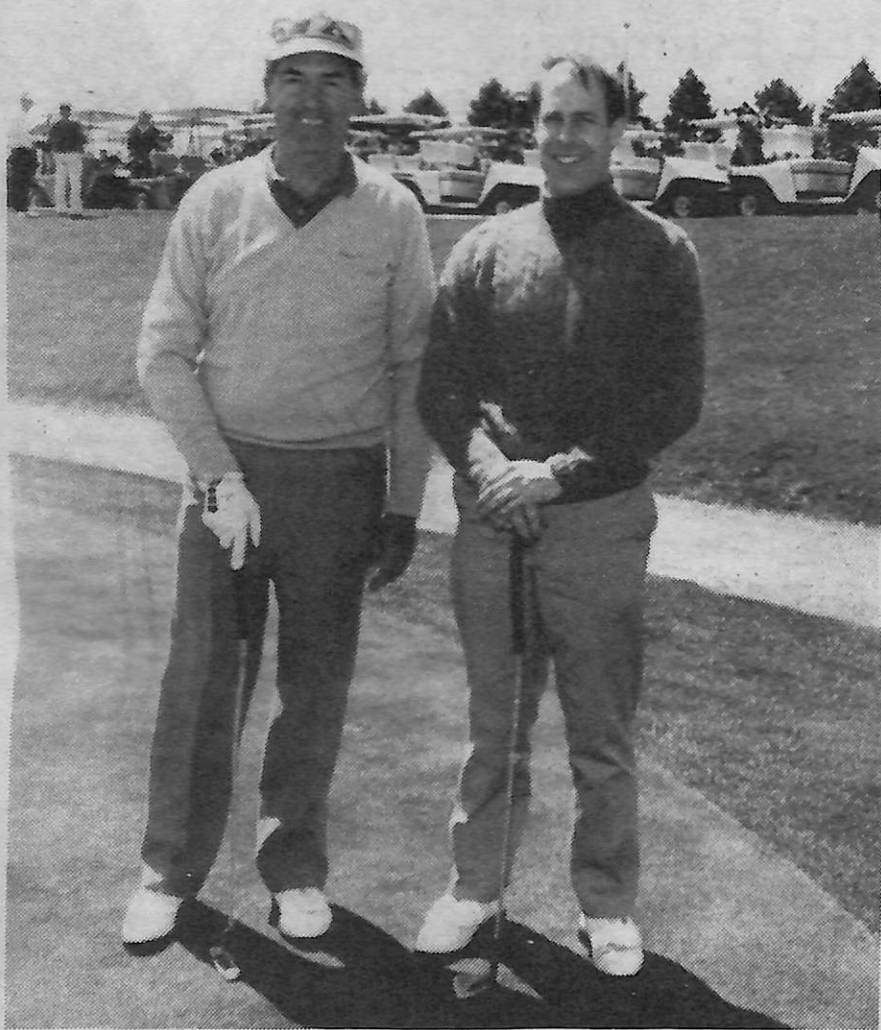
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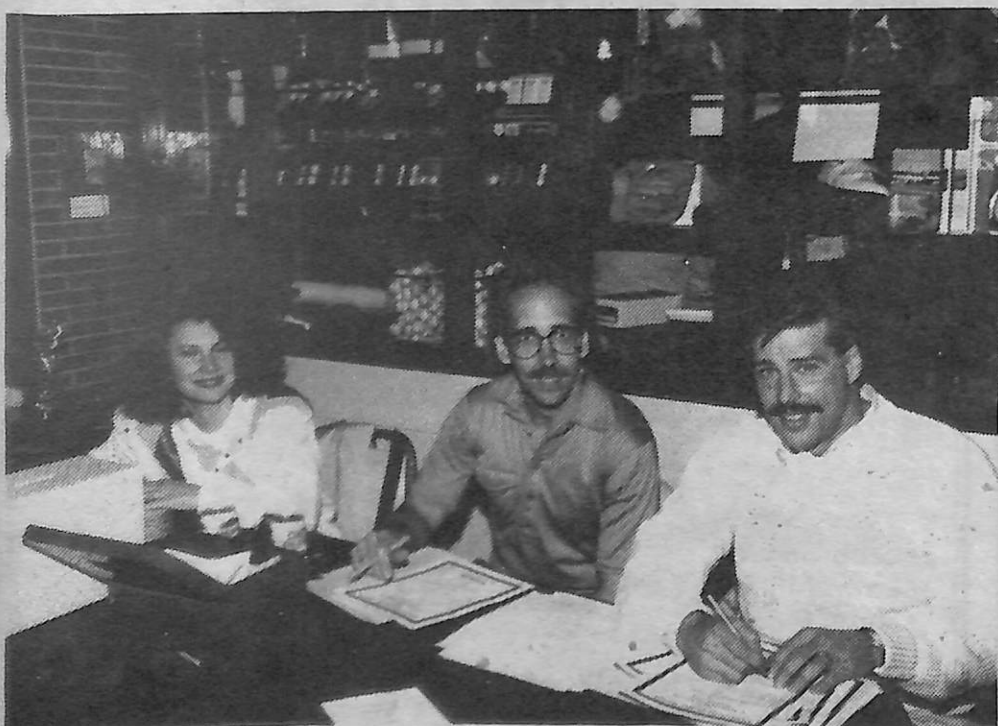
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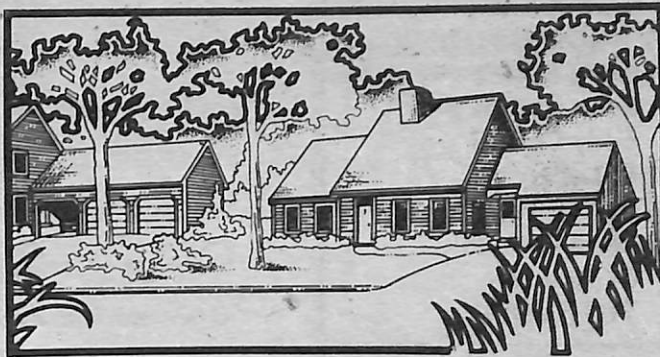
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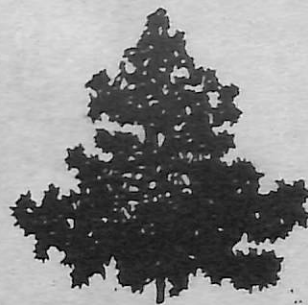
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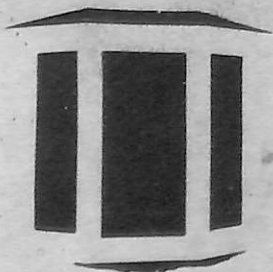
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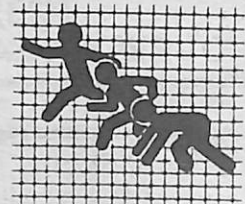
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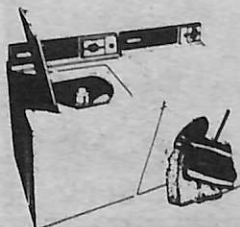
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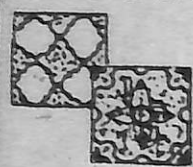
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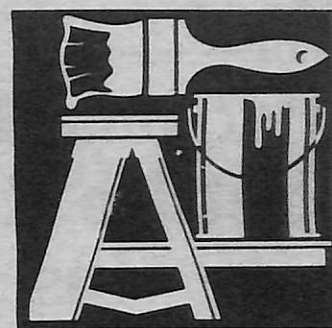
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